

III SEMESTER

PAPER: 3.1

Title of the paper: Reporting Techniques

OBJECTIVES

- To know the various news gathering techniques.
- To develop the news concept and the critical thinking skills to recognize when news lacks fairness and credibility.
- To understand the concept of gate keeping and its importance to responsible reporting and publishing.

Module I

Introduction to Reporting: Meaning, Definitions, Duties and Responsibilities of a Reporter.
Reporting Terminologies

Module II

Reporting for print Media: Types of Reporting

News: Meaning, Definitions of News, Types of News, News Values

Sources of News: Different Types of Sources: Primary and secondary Sources, News Agencies,
Using and Attributing Sources of Stories

Module III

Structure of News Stories: 5Ws and 1H, Lead, Purpose of Lead, Types of Leads, Body,
Background of the Story and Quotes. Exercise on Writing a News Story

Module IV

Reporting for Radio

Module V

Reporting for television

Skill Developments:

Reporting, Editing and page layout

Reference Books

1. Paul Manning, News and News Sources, Sage Publications, 2004.
2. Robert L.Hilliard, Writing for TV, Radio and News Media, Thomson Learning, 2005.
3. Antony Friedman, Writing for Visual Media, Focal Press, April 2001.
4. Jan Johnson Yopp and Katharine C. McAdams, Reaching Audiences: A Guide To Media Writing (3rd Edition) – 2002
5. Style Book, News Service Division, AIR Publications, 2004.
6. Robert L.Hilliard, Writing for TV, Radio and News Media, Thomson Learning, 2005.