### **CURRICULUM FOR YOUNG CHILDREN**

Paper no.- HSHD: 101

CC-1

Credits -4+0=4 SEM – I (M.Sc. H.D.) Marks : 100 = 100

### **Objectives**

- To understand meaning of curriculum and various components to be included in the daily programme to promote all round development of children.
- To recognize role of play in children's development and its use as a medium for working with children.
- To understand goals, principles, factors and approaches used in programme planning.
- To recognize the advantages of project method and learn to use integrated approach in the development of daily programme.

#### Unit- 1: introduction

- Meaning of curriculum.
- Foundation of curriculum development.
- Children's background and experiences.
- Children's need for movement, exploration, discovery, expression, achievement, success and recognition
- Developmental norms and developmental tasks, cultural expectations
- Curriculum prescribed by government for primary school.

## **Unit-2:** Play

- Play as means of development and learning.
- Overview of theory of play.

- Classical theories: surplus energy theory, relaxation theory, pre -exercise theory, and recapitulation theory.
- Dynamic theories: psychoanalytical and piaget.
- Developmental stages of play.
- Social dimension as play, unoccupied behavior, onlooker behavior, solitary play, associative play, and co-operative play. Content dimension.

# **Unit-3:** Programme planning, Language, Mathematics

- Approaches to learning: incidental and planned learning.
- Principles of programme planning:
  - from known to unknown, simple to complex, Concrete to
- **Unit –4** Balance between individual and group activity, indoor and outdoor play, quit and active plays, guided and free act ivities.
  - Factors influencing programme planning.
  - Goals of language teaching.
  - Readiness for reading and writing. Meaning of readiness.
  - Factors to be considered for readiness.
  - Introduction
  - Importance of number and mathematics.
  - Basic principles of measurements- time, distance, weight, capacity and money.

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