Paper VIII

Writing for Radio and Radio Production

OBJECTIVES

- To enable students to script, plan and produce radio programmes of not only social relevance but also of fiction.
- To coach students on the formal hierarchy and functionalities of a radio station and the process of radio production.
- Show students the significance of radio in our country and its potency in terms of reach and influence and the positive impact it can bring.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- This paper will facilitate students to develop their own creative process.
- They will have sufficient understanding of one or more media to complete the technical and formal requirements of work related to the subject.
- They will have some grasp over writing for a specific medium of radio and produce radio shows.

Part I: History and Aesthetics of Sound

UNIT 1

Sound Aesthetics

- Overview
- · Listening and hearing
- · Basic production terminology

UNIT 2

Radio History

- Broadcasting in India
- · Amateur radio or Ham radio
- FCC (Federal Communications Commission) regulations
- · Community Radio
- · AM and FM

UNIT 3

Sound Production

- · Studio environment
- Functionaries of a radio station
- Tools of radio production (Microphones, Loudspeakers, Audio console, Transmitter)
- Stages of radio production
- Internet radio
- Audio Production Software Adobe Audition

Part II: Radio Formats

UNIT 4

Fiction

- · Drama and Radio Feature
- · Radio Jingle
- Radio Advertisements

UNIT 5

Non-fiction

- · Radio Talk and Interviews
- News Bulletin
- Public Service Announcements

Practicals

Radio (Features – creative and for community radio)

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