









Model Curriculum

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Training Parameters

Sector	Tourism & Hospitality
Sub-Sector	Adventure Tourism
Occupation	Mountain-Based Activities
Country	India
NSQF Level	5
Aligned to NCO/ISCO/ISIC Code	NCO-2015/-
Minimum Educational Qualification and Experience	12th-grade pass or equivalent with 4 years of relevant experience OR Previous relevant Qualification of NSQF Level 4.0 with 3 years of relevant experience With mandatory: a) Should have attempted at least two peaks / High Altitude Pass above 4,000 mts b) Should have climbed at least two peaks above 6,000m under supervision of a Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder (HAP)
Pre-Requisite License or Training	NA
Minimum Job Entry Age	20 years
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Minimum Duration of the Course	570 Hours (Including 60 hrs. ES and OJT)
Maximum Duration of the Course	570 Hours (Including 60 hrs. ES and OJT)









Program Overview

This section summarizes the end objectives of the program along with its duration.

Training Outcomes

At the end of the program, the learner will be able to:

- Perform steps to prepare for the high altitude trek/expedition
- Perform activities related to the high altitude trek/expedition
- Apply appropriate methods to conduct post the high altitude trek/expedition formalities
- Explain the significance of assessing and mitigating risks
- Employ suitable methods of communicating with customers and colleagues
- Apply appropriate gender and age sensitive practices
- Employ safe, healthy and hygienic practices
- Explain the steps to follow and maintain green practices

Compulsory Modules

The table lists the modules and their duration corresponding to the Compulsory NOS of the QP.

NOS and Module Details	Theory Duration	Practical Duration	On-the-Job Training Duration (Mandatory)	On-the-Job Training Duration (Recommended)	Total Duration
THC/N8624: Prepare for Mountaineering/Trekking Expedition NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	35:00	35:00	50:00	00:00	120:00
Module 1: Introduction to Adventure Tourism Industry and SOPs	04:00	00:00	00:00	00:00	04:00
Module 2: Organizing Pre- High Altitude Expedition or Trek Requirements	31:00	35:00	50:00	00:00	116:00
THC/N8625: Carry Equipment/Provisions and Help the Climbing Partner to Climb NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	60:00	60:00	30:00	00:00	150:00









Module 3: Walking and Mountaineering Techniques	30:00	30:00	15:00	00:00	75:00
Module 4: Following Environmental and Conservation Practices	30:00	30:00	15:00	00:00	75:00
THC/N8626: Conduct Post Mountaineering/Trekking Program Closure NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	25:00	15:00	20:00	00:00	60:00
Module 5: Conducting Post High Altitude Expedition or Trek Formalities	25:00	15:00	20:00	00:00	60:00
THC/N8627: Assess and Mitigate Risks in Mountaineering/Trekking Expedition NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	22:00	18:00	20:00	00:00	60:00
Module 6: Assessing and Mitigating Risks	22:00	18:00	20:00	00:00	60:00
THC/N9913 Communicate with Customers and Colleagues NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
Module 7: Effective Communication	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
THC/N9914 Follow Gender and Age Sensitive Practices NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
Module 8: Gender and Age Sensitivity	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
THC/N9915 Maintain Safe, Healthy and Hygienic Practices NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00









Module 9: Health and Hygiene	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
THC/N9916 Follow and Maintain Green Practices NOS Version No. 2.0 NSQF Level 5	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
Module 10: Green Practices	12:00	18:00	00:00	00:00	30:00
DGT/VSQ/N0102: Employability Skills (60 Hours)	24:00	36:00	00:00	00:00	60:00
Module 11. Introduction to Employability Skills	0:30	01:00	00:00	00:00	01.30
Module 12. Constitutional values – Citizenship	0:30	01:00	00:00	00:00	01.30
Module 13. Becoming a Professional in the 21st Century	01:00	01:30	00:00	00:00	02.30
Module 14. Basic English Skills	04:00	06:00	00:00	00:00	10:00
Module 15. Career Development & Goal Setting	01:00	01:00	00:00	00:00	02:00
Module 16. Communication Skills	02:00	03:00	00:00	00:00	05:00
Module 17. Diversity & Inclusion	01:00	01:30	00:00	00:00	02.30
Module 18. Financial and Legal Literacy	02:00	03:00	00:00	00:00	05:00
Module 19. Essential Digital Skills	04:00	06:00	00:00	00:00	10:00
Module 20. Entrepreneurship	03:00	04:00	00:00	00:00	07:00
Module 21. Customer Service	02:00	03:00	00:00	00:00	05:00









Module 22. Getting	03:00	05:00	00:00	00:00	08:00
Ready for Apprenticeship					
& Jobs					
Total Duration	214:00	236:00	120:00	00:00	570:00









Module Details

Module 1: Introduction to Adventure Tourism Industry and SOPs *Bridge Module*

Terminal Outcomes:

- Explain the importance and scope of mountaineering and trekking in adventure tourism
- Elaborate the importance of a Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder (HAP) in adventure tourism
- List SOPs in mountaineering and trekking for adventure tourism
- Explain the hierarchy of job roles in mountaineering and trekking
- Elaborate on the problems related to over tourism in mountain-based activities

Duration: 04:00	Duration: 00:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Describe the scope of the Indian mountaineering and trekking industry as part of adventure tourism Discuss the economic benefits and problems related with overuse of mountaineering and trekking for tourism List the SOPs to be followed as part of adventure tourism Explain the hierarchy of job roles in mountaineering and trekking in the adventure tourism industry Explain the role of a Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder (HAP) in adventure tourism Describe the attributes required for the Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder (HAP) job role Explain ways of assisting differently abled people 	
Classroom Aids	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Sp	peakers, Whiteboard & Marker
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	
NA .	









Module 2: Organizing Pre-High Altitude Expedition or Trek Requirements Mapped to: THC/N8624 v 2.0

Terminal Outcomes:

- Apply appropriate practises to plan and prepare ahead of the expedition
- Perform steps to collate pre-trip information on staff, equipment and students/clients
- Explain tasks to be completed for trek/expedition preparation
- Apply suitable methods to weigh and pack equipment/provisions

Duration: 31:00	Duration: 35:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Discuss the importance of obtaining work instructions and detailed itinerary from the expedition leader/tour operator Explain the importance of obtaining detailed information about the team/students/clients Explain the importance of obtaining information on the total number of equipment/provision loads and to which camp they have to be carried Discuss the importance of documenting details of equipment/provision loads Discuss the importance of evenly packing and distributing equipment/provision loads Explain the importance of briefing and preparing the students/clients for the trek/expedition 	 Create a sample lists of information to be gathered for the trek/ expedition preparation and items that will be packed Demonstrate properly weighing, distributing and packing all equipment/provision loads in rucksacks Demonstrate how to welcome, brief and assist the students/clients for the trek/expedition

Classroom Aids

LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers and Whiteboard & Marker

Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements

Kernmantle ropes, harnesses, helmets, climbing shoes, mittens, carabiners, pulley, belay devices, slings and tape slings, ice axe, snow boots, crampons, pitons, equipment logbooks, activity documents, student/client forms and documents medical forms, writing tools, outdoor environment.









Module 3: Walking and Mountaineering Techniques Mapped to: THC/N8625 v 2.0

Terminal Outcomes:

- Employ suitable practises to protect, carry, load and unload bags
- Apply appropriate techniques of using equipment and assisting the climbing partner
- Explain the importance of providing accurate route descriptions to the team
- Employ suitable practises to coordinate with the team
- Apply suitable protocols for assisting persons with disability

Duration: 30:00	Duration: 30:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Discuss all methods and techniques of rucksack packing Explain the importance of using safe practices and appropriate techniques while walking and using mountaineering equipment on various terrains Discuss the importance of assisting the climbing partner Discuss the importance of navigation and providing accurate route descriptions to the trek/expedition leader Discuss methods of unpacking loads at camp site and camp set up/dismantling techniques Explain the importance of respecting and assisting persons with disabilities 	 Demonstrate rucksack packing and carrying Demonstrate mountaineering techniques and equipment usage in snow, rock and ice terrain Demonstrate unpacking loads and camp set up/dismantling techniques Demonstrate using communication, navigation and photography devices Demonstrate proving first aid and using the oxygen tank Role play assisting persons with disabilities

Classroom Aids

LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers and Whiteboard & Marker

Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements

Kernmantle ropes, harnesses, helmets, climbing shoes, mittens, carabiners, pulley, belay devices, slings and tape slings, ice axe, snow boots, crampons, pitons, first-aid kit, tents, writing tools, outdoor environment.









Module 4: Following Environmental and Conservation Practices Mapped to: THC/N8625 v 2.0

Terminal Outcomes:

- Employ appropriate practices for minimum impact travel and camping policies
- Explain the importance of protecting the fragile habitat and environment

Duration: 30:00	Duration: 30:00			
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes			
 Explain outdoor and environmental ethics and practises including Leave no Trace Principles and disposal of human and food waste produced during the trek/expedition 	 Show appropriate steps for proper hygiene practices and waste disposal as per the company SOPs 			
Classroom Aids				
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers and Whiteboard & marker				
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements				
Shovel, Bio-degradable bags, dustbins, outdoor environment.				









Module 5: Conducting Post High Altitude Expedition or Trek Formalities *Mapped to: THC/N8626 v 2.0*

Terminal Outcomes:

- Employ suitable methods to hand over equipment and backpacks
- Perform required steps to close accounts and exchange feedback

Feedback forms, account reports, writing tools, rucksacks.

Duration: 25:00	Duration: 15:00			
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes			
 Discuss the importance of counting, checking and handing over equipment and bags to the students/clients post trek/expedition Discuss the importance of updating the account report and closing accounts for the climbing aide team Discuss the importance of providing and receiving feedback for future treks/expeditions 	 Demonstrate counting, checking and handing over equipment and bags to the students/clients Demonstrate maintain an account report and closing accounts with the climbing aide team Role play a situation on how to conduct a feedback session with the expedition leader/tour organizer 			
Classroom Aids				
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers and Whiteboard & marker				
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements				









Module 6: Assessing and Mitigating Risks

Mapped to: THC/N8627 v 2.0

Terminal Outcomes:

- Explain the steps to take safety measures
- Apply suitable methods to respond to emergency situations
- Apply suitable methods to assist with evacuation procedures

Demonstrate conducting personal and equipment safety check Demonstrate following protocols and establishing communication with the expedition leader
equipment safety check Demonstrate following protocols and establishing communication with the expedition leader
Employ methods to perform risk assessment and management on the route and camp site Demonstrate the use of safety equipment, first aid kit and CPR during emergency and evacuation
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Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements

Backpacks, maps, compass, climbing ropes, harness, helmets, ice axe, snow boots, crampons, pitons, first aid kits, stretcher, outdoor training environment.









Module 7: Effective Communication *Mapped to: THC/N9913 v 2.0*

Terminal Outcomes:

- Apply appropriate practises to interact with superiors and colleagues
- Apply suitable methods to effectively communicate Employ with guests

Duration: 12:00	Duration: 18:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Explain the importance of trust, support and respect to colleagues and superiors Describe how to identify and resolve potential and existing conflicts with colleagues Explain the methods for effective communication with various people Describe the importance of effective listening, use of appropriate voice tone and pitch for communication Explain the importance of guest satisfaction and guest feedback 	 Demonstrate professional etiquette while greeting the office staff and guests Role Play on how to converse with office staff and guests Role play how to handle customer concerns effectively
Classroom Aids:	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, Whiteboard & Marker	
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	
NA	









Module 8: Gender and Age Sensitivity

Mapped to: THC/N9914 v 2.0

Terminal Outcomes:

• Employ suitable practices for age and gender specific customer service

Duration: 18:00
Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
Role play appropriate behavioral etiquettes towards all ages, genders and differently abled people as per specification
Speakers, Whiteboard & Marker









Module 9: Health and Hygiene *Mapped to: THC/N9915 v 2.0*

Terminal Outcomes:

- Perform steps to follow standard safety procedures
- Employ practises to maintain a clean workplace
- Employ suitable practises for personal hygiene and precautionary health measures

Duration: 12:00	Duration: 18:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 List possible hazards in the work areas and take necessary steps to eliminate or minimize them Explain the need for personal and workplace hygiene and methods to maintain the same Explain the importance of preventive health check-ups and vaccinations 	 Demonstrate the procedure for routine cleaning, sanitization and storing of tools, equipment, and other articles Show how to keep work area clean, hygienic and hazard free Demonstrate ergonomic lifting, bending or moving equipment and supplies Demonstrate use of personal protective equipment Perform emergency procedures using fire safety equipment, first aid equipment Show hazard symbols related to general warning, health hazard, biohazard, harmful irritant, poison/toxic material, carcinogen hazard, explosive hazard, electrical hazard, hot surface, low temperature warning symbol Demonstrate the use of safety equipment for fire safety, physical safety, first aid equipment such as Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

Classroom Aids:

LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, Whiteboard & Marker

Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements

Physical Safety Equipment, Personal Protective Equipment, Fire Safety Equipment, First Aid Equipment









Module 10: Green Practices Mapped to: THC/N9916 v 2.0

Terminal Outcomes:

- Employ appropriate methods for material conservation and eco-friendly practices
- Apply methods for effective waste management/recycling practices

Duration: 12:00	Duration: 18:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Explain different types of wastewater Describe methods to manage non-recyclable waste Explain the need for following eco-friendly practices Explain common sources of pollution and ways to minimize them 	 Demonstrate material conservation practices like using dead, dry fallen sticks instead of big logs for bonfire etc. Demonstrate methods to dispose-off non-recyclable waste appropriately Employ appropriate methods to reuse and recycle waste
Classroom Aids:	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, Whiteboard & Marker	
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	
Waste bins	









Module 11: Introduction to Employability Skills *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

Discuss about Employability Skills in meeting the job requirements

Duration: 00:30	Duration: 01:00	
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes	
Discuss the Employability Skills required for jobs in various industries.	List different learning and employability related GOI and private portals and their usage.	
Classroom Aids		
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, and Whiteboard & marker		
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements		









Module 12: Constitutional values - Citizenship Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102

Terminal Outcomes:

• Discuss about constitutional values to be followed to become a responsible citizen

Duration: 00:30	Duration: 01:00	
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes	
 Explain the constitutional values, including civic rights and duties, citizenship, responsibility towards society and personal values and ethics such as honesty, integrity, caring and respecting others that are required to become a responsible citizen 	Show how to practice different environmentally sustainable practices.	
Classroom Aids		
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, and Whiteboard & marker		
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements		
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Module 13: Becoming a Professional in the 21st Century *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

• Demonstrate professional skills required in 21st century

Duration: 01:00	Duration: 01:30
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Discuss importance of relevant 21st century skills. Describe the benefits of continuous learning. 	 Exhibit 21st century skills like Self- Awareness, Behavior Skills, time management, critical and adaptive thinking, problem-solving, creative thinking, social and cultural awareness, emotional awareness, learning to learn etc. in personal or professional life.
Classroom Aids	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Spea	kers, and Whiteboard & marker
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	
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Module 14: Basic English Skills *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

• Practice basic English speaking.

Duration: 04:00	Duration: 06:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
Discuss need of basic English skills	 Show how to use basic English sentences for everyday conversation in different contexts, in person and over the telephone.
	 Read and interpret text written in basic English.
	 Write a short note/paragraph / letter/e - mail using basic English.
Classroom Aids	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation,	Speakers, and Whiteboard & marker
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	
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Module 15: Career Development & Goal Setting Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102

Terminal Outcomes:

• Understand the importance of career development & goal setting

Duration: 01:00	Duration: 01:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
Explain the importance of career development & goal setting	Create a career development plan with well-defined short- and long-term goals
Classroom Aids	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, and Whiteboard & marker	
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	









Module 16: Communication Skills *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

• Practice basic communication skills

Duration: <i>02:00</i>	Duration: 03:00	
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes	
 Explain the importance of active listening for effective communication Discuss the significance of working collaboratively with others in a team 	 Demonstrate how to communicate effectively using verbal and nonverbal communication etiquette. 	
Classroom Aids		
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, and Whiteboard & marker		
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements		
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Module 17: Diversity & Inclusion *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

• Describe PwD and gender sensitization

Duration: 01:00	Duration: 01:30
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Discuss the significance of escalating sexual harassment issues as per POSH act. 	Demonstrate how to behave, communicate, and conduct oneself appropriately with all genders and PwD
Classroom Aids	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Speakers, and Whiteboard & marker	
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	









Module 18: Financial and Legal Literacy *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

• Describe ways of managing expenses, income, and savings.

Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Outline the importance of selecting the right financial institution, product, and service. Demonstrate how to carry out offline and online financial transactions, safely and securely.
kers, and Whiteboard & marker









Module 19: Essential Digital Skills Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102

Terminal Outcomes:

• Demonstrate procedure of operating digital devices and associated applications safely.

Duration: 04:00	Duration : 06:00		
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes		
 Describe the role of digital technology in today's life Demonstrate how to operate digital devices and use the associated applications and features, safely and securely. Discuss the significance of displaying responsible online behavior while browsing, using various social media platforms, e-mails, etc., safely and securely. 	 Create sample word documents, excel sheets and presentations using basic features. Utilize virtual collaboration tools to work effectively. 		
Classroom Aids			
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Spea	kers, and Whiteboard & marker		
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements			
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Module 20: Entrepreneurship Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102

Terminal Outcomes:

• Demonstrate procedure of operating digital devices and associated applications safely.

Practical – Key Learning Outcomes			
Create a sample business plan, for the selected business opportunity.			
skers, and Whiteboard & marker			









Module 21: Customer Service Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102

Terminal Outcomes:

• Demonstrate procedure of operating digital devices and associated applications safely.

Duration: <i>02:00</i>	Duration: 03:00
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes
 Describe the significance of analyzing different types and needs of customers Explain the significance of identifying customer needs and responding to them in a professional manner. Discuss the significance of maintaining hygiene and dressing appropriately 	Demonstrate how to deal with different customers and their needs
Classroom Aids	
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Spea	kers, and Whiteboard & marker
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements	









Module 22: Getting ready for Apprenticeship & jobs *Mapped to: DGT/VSQ/N0102*

Terminal Outcomes:

• Describe ways of preparing for apprenticeship & Jobs appropriately.

Duration: 03:00	Duration: 05:00		
Theory – Key Learning Outcomes	Practical – Key Learning Outcomes		
 Discuss the significance of maintaining hygiene and confidence during an interview. List the steps for searching and registering for apprenticeship opportunities. 	 Create a professional Curriculum Vitae (CV) Perform a mock interview Use various offline and online job search sources such as employment exchanges, recruitment agencies, and job portals respectively 		
Classroom Aids			
LCD Projector for PPT and Video Presentation, Spea	kers, and Whiteboard & marker		
Tools, Equipment and Other Requirements			









Module 23: On-the-Job Training

Mapped to Himalayan Expedition Logistics and Pathfinder (HAP)

Recommended Duration: 00:00 Mandatory Duration: *120:00*

Module Name: On-the-Job Training

Location: On Site

Terminal Outcomes

- Perform steps to facilitate student/client preparedness, collate trip information, weigh, pack and document equipment/provisions
- Employ suitable practices to carry equipment/provisions and aid climbing partner during the high altitude trek/expedition
- Perform appropriate steps for trip closure
- Perform assessment and mitigation of risks at high altitudes using appropriate methods and techniques
- Apply suitable techniques to communicate effectively with guests and colleagues
- Employ suitable practices to provide customized age and gender specific customer service
- Employ suitable practices to ensure workplace safety procedures and cleanliness
- Employ suitable practices for effective and eco-friendly waste management and recycling









Annexure

Trainer Requirements

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Trainer Prerequisites						
Minimum Educational Qualification	Specialization	Relevant Industry Experience		Training Experience		Remarks
·		Years	Specialization	Years	Specialization	
Certificate / Diploma / Degree / Post Graduate	Tour & Travel	5 years	Tourism	1 year	Tourism	

Trainer Co	ertification
Domain Certification	Platform Certification
"Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder (HAP)", "THC/Q8605, v3.0", Minimum accepted score is 80%	Recommended that the trainer is certified for the job role "Trainer (VET and skills)", mapped to the qualification pack "MEP/Q2601, V2.0". The minimum accepted score is 80%.









Assessor Requirements

Assessor Prerequisites						
Minimum Educational Qualification	Specialization	Relevant Industry Experience		Training/Assessment Experience		Remarks
		Years	Specialization	Years	Specialization	
Diploma / Degree / Post Graduate		10 years	Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder /HAP	0		

Assessor Certification				
Domain Certification	Platform Certification			
"Himalayan Expedition Pathfinder (HAP)", "THC/Q8605, v3.0", Minimum accepted score is 80%	Recommended that the assessor is certified for the job role "Assessor (VET and skills)", mapped to the qualification pack "MEP/Q2701, V2.0". The minimum accepted score is 80%.			









Assessment Strategy

This section includes the processes involved in identifying, gathering, and interpreting information to evaluate the learner on the required competencies of the program.

1. Assessment System Overview:

- Batches assigned to the assessment agencies for conducting the assessment on SDSM/SIP or email
- Assessment agencies send the assessment confirmation to VTP/TC looping SSC
- Assessment agency deploys the certified Assessor for executing the assessment
- SSC monitors the assessment process & records
- If the batch size is more than 30, then there should be 2 Assessors.

2. Testing Environment: Assessor must:

- Confirm that the centre is available at the same address as mentioned on SDMS or SIP
- Check the duration of the training.
- Check the Assessment Start and End time to be as 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- Check that the allotted time to the candidates to complete Theory & Practical Assessment is correct.
- Check the mode of assessment—Online (TAB/Computer) or Offline (OMR/PP).
- Confirm the number of TABs on the ground are correct to execute the Assessment smoothly.
- Check the availability of the Lab Equipment for the particular Job Role.

3. Assessment Quality Assurance levels / Framework:

- Question papers created by the Subject Matter Experts (SME)
- Question papers created by the SME should be verified by the other subject Matter Experts along with the approval required from THSC
- Questions are mapped with NOS and PC
- Question papers are prepared considering that level 1 to 3 is for the unskilled & semiskilled individuals, and level 4 and above are for the skilled, supervisor & higher management
- Assessor must be TOA certified
- Assessment agency must follow the assessment guidelines to conduct the assessment

4. Types of evidence or evidence-gathering protocol:

- Time-stamped & geotagged reporting of the assessor from assessment location
- Centre photographs with signboards and scheme specific branding
- Biometric or manual attendance sheet (stamped by TP) of the trainees during the training period
- Time-stamped & geotagged assessment (Theory + Viva + Practical) photographs & videos

5. Method of verification or validation:

- Surprise visit to the assessment location
- Random audit of the batch









- Random audit of any candidate
- 6. Method for assessment documentation, archiving, and access
 - Hard copies of the documents are stored
 - Soft copies of the documents & photographs of the assessment are uploaded / accessed from Cloud Storage and in the Hard Drives









References

Glossary

Term	Description
Declarative Knowledge	Declarative knowledge refers to facts, concepts and principles that need to be known and/or understood in order to accomplish a task or to solve a problem.
Key Learning Outcome	Key learning outcome is the statement of what a learner needs to know, understand and be able to do in order to achieve the terminal outcomes. A set of key learning outcomes will make up the training outcomes. Training outcome is specified in terms of knowledge, understanding (theory) and skills (practical application).
OJT (M)	On-the-job training (Mandatory); trainees are mandated to complete specified hours of training on site
OJT (R)	On-the-job training (Recommended); trainees are recommended the specified hours of training on site
Procedural Knowledge	Procedural knowledge addresses how to do something, or how to perform a task. It is the ability to work, or produce a tangible work output by applying cognitive, affective or psychomotor skills.
Training Outcome	Training outcome is a statement of what a learner will know, understand and be able to do upon the completion of the training .
Terminal Outcome	Terminal outcome is a statement of what a learner will know, understand and be able to do upon the completion of a module. A set of terminal outcomes help to achieve the training outcome.









Acronyms and Abbreviations

Term	Description
QP	Qualification Pack
NSQF	National Skills Qualification Framework
NSQC	National Skills Qualification Committee
NOS	National Occupational Standards
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
AED	Automated External Defibrillator
AMS	Acute Mountain Sickness
HACE	High Altitude Cerebral Edema
НАРЕ	High Altitude Pulmonary Edema