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MF5007 INDUSTRIAL ERGONOMICS

DETAILED SYLLABUS

OBJECTIVES

To introduce the concepts of Ergonomics and to indicate the areas of Applications.

UNIT I INTRODUCTION

Concepts of human factors engineering and ergonomics – Man – machine system and design philosophy – Physical work – Heat stress – manual lifting – work posture – repetitive motion.

UNIT II ANTHROPOMETRY

Physical dimensions of the human body as a working machine – Motion size relationships – Static and dynamic anthropometry – Anthropometric aids – Design principles – Using anthropometric measures for industrial design – Procedure for anthropometric design.

UNIT III DESIGN OF SYSTEMS

Displays – Controls – Workplace – Seating – Work process – Duration and rest periods – Hand tool design – Design of visual displays – Design for shift work.

UNIT IV ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS IN DESIGN

Temperature – Humidity – Noise – Illumination –Vibration – Measurement of illumination and contrast– use of photometers – Recommended illumination levels. The ageing eye – Use of indirect (reflected) lighting – cost efficiency of illumination – special purpose lighting for inspection and quality control – Measurement of sound – Noise exposure and hearing loss – Hearing protectors – analysis and reduction of noise – Effects of Noise on performance – annoyance of noise and interference with communication – sources of vibration discomfort.

UNIT V WORK PHYSIOLOGY

Provision of energy for muscular work – Role of oxygen physical exertion – Measurement of energy expenditure Respiration – Pulse rate and blood pressure during physical work – Physical work capacity and its evaluation.

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