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**Module Descriptor - Communication Networks**

<b>Module Code</b>	ET 3102	<b>Module Title</b>	Communication Networks																
<b>Credits</b>	2	<b>Hours/ Semester</b>	<b>Lectures</b>			24	<b>Prerequisites</b>												
<b>GPA/ NGPA</b>	GPA*		<b>Continuous Assessments/ Tutorials</b>			12		ET1202											
<b>Module Objectives</b>	To provide the students with the knowledge of Communication Networks																		
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	<p>After the completion of this module, the learner will be able to,</p> <p><b>LO1:</b> Describe the basis and structure of an abstract layered protocol model</p> <p><b>LO2:</b> Describe analyze and compare functions and applications of OSI layers.</p> <p><b>LO3:</b> Analyze of network layers within the simulate networking environment</p>																		
<b>Contents</b>	<p><b>Overview on ISO/OSI reference model for open systems, packet and distributed systems and Topologies.</b> Introductory remarks, type of networks (private and public), types of distributed systems and network topologies.</p>										<b>LO1</b>								
	<p><b>Physical and Data Link Layers</b> Physical characteristics of interfaces and media. Representation of bits, transmission rate, transmission of bits, link configuration, physical topology and transmission mode. Introduction to Forward Error Correction (FEC) and Feedback Error Control procedures. Framing, Physical addressing, Flow control. MAC: Medium Access Control, scheduling methods, ALOHA protocols, carrier-sensing-methods.</p>										<b>LO2</b> <b>LO3</b>								
	<p><b>Network (IP) and Transport Layers (TCP/UDP)</b> Routing, IP addressing: IPv4 and IPv6, IP sub-networking, Internet Protocol, TCP: Transmission Control Protocol, UDP: User Datagram Protocol, segmentation and reassembling, Service point addressing, Flow control and congestion control, error control schemes. Overview of Mobile IP and Mobility management</p>										<b>LO2</b> <b>LO3</b>								
	<p><b>Session Layer, Presentation and Application Layer</b> Dialog control and synchronization, Translation, encryption and compression, SMTP, FTP, HTTP, DNS, Telnet.</p>										<b>LO2</b> <b>LO3</b>								
<b>Laboratory/ Practical Sessions</b>	<p><b>Local Area Network and Wide Area Networks</b> WAN, MAN, PAN, IEEE 802.11x: Infrastructure, Standards and Technologies for wired and wireless networks. (Bluetooth, Wifi, Ethernet)</p>										<b>LO2</b> <b>LO3</b>								
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Simulating TCP/ UDP networks</li><li>Packet Analysis using Wireshark</li></ul>										<b>LO1-3</b>								
<b>Method of Assessment</b>	Continuous assessments : 30% End semester examination : 70%																		
<b>References</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Nevio Benvenuto and Michele Zorzi, ISBN:9781119978589, (2011). Principles of Communications Networks and Systems, John Wiley.</li><li>2. Thomas Robertazzi, ISBN-13 : 978-1461421030, (2011). Basics of Computer Networking (Springer Briefs in Electrical and Computer Engineering), Springer.</li><li>3. Applications in Communication Networks, Wiley, ISBN.</li></ol>																		
<b>Linkage between Learning Outcomes (LOs)</b>			Programme Outcomes																
	<b>LO1 0</b>		M	M	M	L	H		L	L	M	M							
	<b>LO2 0</b>		M	H	H	L	H		L	L	H	H							
	<b>LO3 0</b>		L	L	L	L	L		L	L		L							