

Module No.	Unit No.	Topics	Hrs.
1.0		Overview of Satellite Systems, Orbits and Launching	09
	1.1	An overview of space and satellite, Frequency allocation for satellite communication, Polar orbiting satellites, Kepler's First, second and third law, orbital elements, apogee, perigee heights, orbital perturbations, effects of a non-spherical earth, atmospheric drag	
	1.2	Wave Propagation & Polarization, Atmospheric Losses, Ionospheric Effects, Rain Attenuation, Other impairments, Antenna Polarization, Polarization of Satellite signals, Cross polarization discrimination, Ionospheric depolarization, Rain depolarization, Ice depolarization	
	1.3	Sub-satellite Point, predicting satellite position, antenna look angles, polar mount antenna, limits of visibility, near geostationary orbits, earth eclipse of satellite, sun transit outage	
	1.4	Selection of launching site, launch window, zero and non-zero degree latitude launching, sea launch, launch vehicles; satellite launch vehicle (SLV), augmented satellite launch vehicle (ASLV), polar SLV, geostationary satellite launch vehicle (GSLV)	
2.0		Space Segment	06
	2.1	Satellite configuration, Transponder sub-system, Antenna sub-system, AOC Sub-system, TT&C Sub-system, power sub-system, Thermal sub-system, reliability and quality Assurance.	
3.0		Earth station	05
	3.1	Design consideration	
	3.2	General configuration- Block diagram, Receive only type earth, transmit-receive type earth station, Antenna system, Feed system, Tracking system, LNA, HPA	
4.0		Satellite Links	10
	4.1	Isotropic radiated power, transmission losses, free-space transmission, feeder losses, antenna misalignment losses, fixed atmospheric and ionospheric losses, link power budget	
	4.2	System noise, antenna noise, amplifier noise temperature, amplifiers in cascade, noise factor, noise temperature of absorptive networks, overall system noise temperature, carrier to noise ratio	
	4.3	Uplink: Saturation flux density, input back off, earth station HPA, Downlink: Output back off, satellite TWTA output	
	4.4	Effects of rain, uplink rain-fade margin, downlink rain-fade margin, combined uplink and downlink C/N ratio, inter-modulation noise	
5.0		The Space Segment Access and Utilization	08
	5.1	Space segment access methods, pre-assigned FDMA, demand assigned FDMA, SPADE system, bandwidth-limited and power-limited TWT amplifier operation	