Object-Oriented Analysis & Design:

Specification of Story Management System (SMS)

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- 1. A Newspaper House publishes daily newspaper and wants to manage its activities through a **Story Management System (SMS)**. You are to develop the **SMS**. The requirements specification of the system is given below. Read the specifications carefully, analyse the requirements, and design the following aspects of the system using UML and DP.
 - (a) Identify the use-cases and design suitable Use-Case Diagrams for SMS. Highlight the relationships amongst the actors and the use-cases.
 - (b) Design Class Diagrams for Story, detailing the attributes and operations with their properties.
 - (c) Show the State-chart Diagram for a *Story* as it passes through the **SMS**.
 - (d) Show all other classes / objects (in addition to Question 1b) by brief Class Diagrams (with name and key attributes). For the entire collection of classes (that is, including *Story*) show the associations, aggregations/compositions, generalization/specialization, and abstract/concrete etc.
 - (e) Design suitable Sequence Diagrams for use-cases arising from Submit (of Reporter), Review (of Manager), Revise (of Reporter), and Approve (of Manager) actions.
 - (f) Choose appropriate Design Patterns for your design. Briefly justify your choice.

Requirements Specification for Story Management System (SMS)

- (a) The staff structure of the Newspaper House is as follows:
 - Editor. The Editor is responsible for the overall activities and directly manages the Editorial Division.
 - Associate Editors. Every Associate Editor is responsible for a Division and reports to the Editor. No Associate Editor manages more than one Division.
 - Reporters. Every Reporter works for a Division and reports to the corresponding Associate Editor. Reporters working for the Editorial Division reports directly to the Editor.

Every employee is identified by the *Employee Code*, and has *Name*, *Email* and *Mobile Number*.

- (b) The Newspaper House has 3 Divisions:
 - Editorial Division: This publishes the Editorial expressing the views of the Newspaper House, Special News Items and the Letters from Readers.
 - News Division: This publishes stories on national and international news. A story here is political, social or economic in nature.
 - Features Division: This publishes national and international feature stories in art, culture, cinema, sports, and the like. A story here is an entertainment event report, critique, celebrity interview, match report, team analysis, or statistics.

Every Division has a Manager. With the exception of the Editorial Division, every Division is managed by an Associate Editor. The Editorial Division is managed directly by the Editor.

- (c) At the Newspaper House a Reporter needs to:
 - Collect: A reporter goes to places or liaison with external agencies to collect news items.

- Compose: A collected news item is cast in the form of a story.
- Submit: A completed story is submitted to the corresponding Manager.
- Revise: Up on review, if the Manager desires, the story is revised and re-submitted.
- (d) At the Newspaper House the responsibilities of an Associate Editor include all responsibilities of a Reporter. Naturally she / he can report their own stories. In addition, an Associate Editor needs to:
 - Review: A story submitted by a reporter (of the Division) needs to reviewed and edited. Up on review, the Associate Editor may request the Reporter to revise and re-submit.
 - Approve: A submitted story may and may not be approved with or without revision.
 - Paginate: Compose the day's page/s with the approved stories of the Division.
- (e) At the Newspaper House the responsibilities of the *Editor* include all responsibilities of an *Associate Editor* (and hence those of a *Reporter*). In addition, the *Editor* needs to:
 - Edit: Manage the Editorial Division, write the editorial, and set & comply with the policies for the Newspaper House.
- (f) A Story:
 - Is a piece of text for publication in the newspaper.
 - Has title, place, date-time, sources (optional), and reporter / associate editor (optional).
 - Is of a type that matches the *Division* in which it is published.
 - Has a nature as specified above under different *Divisions*.
- (g) The Work flow in the Newspaper House is as follows:
 - A Reporter collects a news item from primary lead, secondary agency or continuity of events. She / he explores the details and prepares the facts.
 - The Reporter then composes the facts in terms of a Story filling in the necessary and auxiliary parts.
 - Once composed, the *Reporter* submits the *Story* for review.
 - The Manager of the Division retrieves the submitted Story and takes one of the actions as follows:
 - Review & edit and approve the *Story* for publication.
 - File review comments on the *Story* for the *Reporter* (who wrote the *Story*) to make revisions. The *Reporter* then revises the *Story* and submits again for review.
 - Review and disapprove the *Story*. This *Story* will not be published.
 - Once the cut-off time for the day is over, the *Associate Editor* of the *Division* will preview the approved stories and prepare the page/s for the *Division*. Stories selected for a day during pagination are marked published and will not be selected again. Other stories continue to remain in **SMS** for possible publication in future.
 - The *Editor* reviews the page/s for compliance to the policies of Newspaper House. If a *Story* is found to be non-compliant, the *Editor* may ask the corresponding *Associate Editor* to revise or replace the *Story*.
 - Once all stories become compliant, the *Editor* adds the *Editorial* and orders publication.
 - The newspaper goes to press.

Every action in SMS generates notification (by email) to all concerned stakeholders.