

**Unit I Introduction to Quality Improvement**

Quality Circles, Total quality management definitions – PDCA cycle quality circle tools – old and new QC tools –Statistical Thinking - Motorola’s Six Sigma.

**Unit II: Define and Measure tools**

Six Sigma overview and the DMAIC principle – process mapping – quality function deployment – failure mode effects analysis – team development for organizational effectiveness – Six Sigma metrics based on normal distribution – evaluation of defect rates – parts per million(PPM) and defects per million opportunities (DPMO) – process capability analysis – measurement system analysis.

**Unit III: Analyze and Improvement tools**

Statistical thinking – hypothesis testing and confidence intervals – correlation analysis – multivariate and regression analysis – customer complaints analysis. Analysis of variance – one-way and two-way ANOVA – design of experiments – factorial experiments – response surface methodology – Taguchi techniques – loss functions- orthogonal arrays and experiments.

**Unit IV: Control**

Control plans – mistake proofing – special applications – discrete parts and continuous processes – control charts and administration - statistical process control charts – tolerancing.

**Unit V: Design for Six Sigma and Lean Manufacturing**

Reliability improvement tools – life test distributions – exponential – gamma – lognormal – Weibull distributions - life data analysis – Lean manufacturing tools

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