British Council Extends Support: English Communication Classes to Start in all CIRCs

After digital literacy, British Council is now partnering with Digital Empowerment Foundation to impart English communication skills to students in all our Community Information Resource Centre across India. British Council is organizing a two days 'Training for Trainers' (TOT) workshop in British Council, New Delhi on 8th and 9th April where 30 participants from all CIRCs across India will be trained on English Communication Skills. These trainers will later train people in their concerned CIRCs on Basic English communication.

There will be three courses, which will be conducted for the benefit of people in CIRCs. 'English for Employability', is one of the courses, which British council will conduct so that people can learn Basic English, which will later facilitate them in getting better jobs. There are four modules in the course. Each module has four units and within each unit are four lessons. Each lesson is 30-35 minutes in length. British Council will issue licenses to DEF in batch size of 100 for this course.

There will be another course 'Learn English for Hospitality and Tourism', which will emphasize on teaching English to people who want to find jobs in Hospitality and Tourism industry. Through this course participants will learn and practice using functional language and specific vocabulary related to tourism and hospitability roles, such as otel and catering staff, taxi drivers, police and security

personnel. For this course British Council will issue licenses to DEF in batch size of 10.

All Community Information Resource Centers impart knowledge, train and empower people on computer and Internet. Another course 'Basic English for IT' looks at empowering people to operate better on computer and Information and Technology tools. This course is aimed at 18-35 year olds who have completed SSC or HSC and have some very basic skills in both English and IT already. This course consists of 25 lessons, each 1 hour long. For this course British council will issue licenses to DEF in batch size of 50.

After the completion of their respective courses the participants will be issued with certificates. Through this course Digital Empowerment foundation along with British council raises the empowering capability of CIRCs. In the era where technology and English have become vital to ones very existence this combination of skills will benefit many nationwide.