

Handbook on Printing Technology (Offset, Flexo, Gravure, Screen, Digital, 3D Printing) 3rd Revised Edition

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Printing is a process of producing copies of text and pictures. Modern technology is radically changing the way publications are printed, inventoried and distributed. There are a wide variety of technologies that are used to print stuff. The main industrial printing processes are: Offset Lithography, Flexography, Digital Printing (Inkjet & Xerography), Gravure, Screen Printing.

3D printing which is also referred as additive printing technology that enables manufacturers to develop objects using a digital file and variety of printing materials. Global market for 3D printing material include polymers, metals and ceramics. In addition, 3D printing offers a wide array of applications in various industries, namely consumer products, industrial products, defense & aerospace, automotive, healthcare, education & research and others.

In India, the market for printing technology is at its nascent stage; however offers huge growth opportunities in the coming years. Digital printing is now taking much more share, particularly in graphics (i.e. non-packaging applications). Digital's share of the whole market doubles in constant value terms from 9.5% to 19.7% and 3D printing market is estimated to garner \$8.6 billion in coming years.

This handbook is designed for use by everyone engaged in the printing section and students who are pursuing their career in printing technology. It provide all information on modern printing methods, techniques, testing's for printing, application of different printing and machinery used for printing.

The major content of the book are Principles of Contact (Impression), Principles of Noncontact Printing, Coated Grades and Commercial Printing, Tests for Gravure Printing, Tests for Letterpress Printing, Tests for Offset Printing, Screen Printing, Application of Screen Printing, Offset Lithography, Planography, Materials, Tools and Equipments, Sheetfed Offset Machines, Web Offset Machines, Colour and its Reproduction, Quality Control in Printing, Flexography, Rotogravure, Creative Frees Printer, Shaftless Spearheads Expansion, Digital Printing, 3D Printing, 3D Printing Machinery and Photographs of Machinery with Suppliers Contact Details.

This book will be a mile stone for its readers who are new to this sector, will also find useful for professionals, entrepreneurs, those studying and researching in this important area.

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(c) ABS Filament

Features

(d) PVA Filament

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Ultem 9085

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3 Colour + Stack Unit (Manual)
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Perfecting Production System
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High Light Color System
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Digital Press
 Digital Color Press
 Manual Offset Printing Machine

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