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 to as additive printing technology, enables manufacturers to develop objects using a digital file and a variety of printing materials. The global market for 3D printing materials includes polymers, metals, and ceramics. In addition, 3D printing offers a wide array of applications in various industries, including 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, it 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 global market doubles in constant value terms from 9.5% to 19.7%, and the 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 provides all information on modern printing methods, techniques, testing's for printing, application of different printing and machinery used for printing.

This book will be a milestone 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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Benefits of 3D Printing

Advantages of 3D Printing in Manufacturing

1. 3-D Printers are Becoming More Affordable
2. Quicker Turnaround Times for Prototyping
3. Quicker Product Launches
4. Competitive Advantage
5. Reduction in Manufacturing Errors
6. Complex Geometries
7. Mass Customization
8. Less Tooling
9. Fewer Costs
10. Environmentally Friendly

Benefits of 3D Printing in Healthcare

What Materials do 3D Printers Use?

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   (b) PLA Filament
   Features
   (c) ABS Filament
   Features
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How do the Different 3D Printing Technologies Work?

1. Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)

How does FDM Work?

Materials for FDM

ABS (Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene)
ABSi (Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene – Biocompatible)
ABS-M30 (Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene)
ABS-M30i (Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene – Biocompatible)
PC (Polycarbonate)
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Ultem 9085

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Benefits of Polyjet

Realistic Finish

Greater Choices

Multiple Materials and Colors
Polyjet Materials
1. Digital Materials
2. Digital ABS
3. High Temperature
Wide Range of Applications
4. Transparent
3D Print Clear and Tinted Prototypes
3D Printing With Transparent Material
3D Print Translucent Shades and Patterns
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Sided Machine
Instant Start Metal Halide Plate Exposure
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Plate Curing Equipment

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