Here's the **detailed course lesson plan** for "ABC of Project Management" structured over 8 weeks with clear learning objectives and key takeaways for each lecture.

# ABC of Project Management - Course Lesson Plan

**Duration:** 8 Weeks

**Objective:** To provide a **comprehensive understanding** of project management principles, methodologies, tools, and execution strategies.

#### Week 1: Project Initiation (Part-I)

**Goal:** Understand the fundamentals of project management, selection models, and Agile methodologies.

- Lecture 1: Introduction to Project Management I
   Key Takeaways: Definition, scope, and importance of project management.
- Lecture 2: Introduction to Project Management II
   Key Takeaways: Project lifecycle, key roles, and responsibilities.
- Lecture 3: Agile Project Management
   Key Takeaways: Agile principles, Scrum, and Kanban framework.
- Lecture 4: Project Selection Models
   Key Takeaways: Financial and non-financial selection models.
- **Lecture 5:** Examples of Project Selection Models *Key Takeaways:* Case studies of successful project selection.

## Week 2: Project Initiation (Part-I) – Role of a Project Manager

**Goal:** Develop an understanding of the skills and strategies needed for an effective project manager.

- Lecture 6: Role of the Project Manager
   Key Takeaways: Responsibilities and authority of a project manager.
- Lecture 7: Attributes of an Effective Project Manager
   Key Takeaways: Leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills.
- **Lecture 8:** Managing for Stakeholders *Key Takeaways:* Stakeholder identification, analysis, and engagement strategies.
- Lecture 9: Resolving Conflicts
   Key Takeaways: Conflict resolution techniques, negotiation strategies.

• **Lecture 10:** Negotiation in Project Management Key Takeaways: Effective negotiation tactics for project success.

# Week 3: Transition to Project Planning (Part-II)

🚀 Goal: Learn about organizational structures and foundational planning techniques.

- **Lecture 11:** Project in the Organizational Structure Key Takeaways: Functional, matrix, and projectized structures.
- Lecture 12: Human Factors and the Project Team Key Takeaways: Team dynamics, motivation, and leadership in projects.
- Lecture 13: Traditional Project Activity Planning Key Takeaways: Work Breakdown Structure (WBS), task dependencies.
- Lecture 14: Agile Project Planning & Project Charter Key Takeaways: Adaptive planning, sprint planning, and charters.
- Lecture 15: Coordination through Integration Management Key Takeaways: How to ensure seamless execution across project elements.

# Week 4: Project Planning - Risk & Budgeting

**Goal:** Understand risk assessment, budgeting, and feasibility analysis.

- **Lecture 16:** Project Feasibility Analysis Key Takeaways: Economic, technical, and operational feasibility.
- Lecture 17: Estimating Project Budgets Key Takeaways: Cost estimation techniques and budget control.
- Lecture 18: Project Risk Management Key Takeaways: Risk identification, mitigation, and response planning.
- Lecture 19: Quantitative Risk Assessment Methodologies Key Takeaways: Monte Carlo simulation, decision tree analysis.
- Lecture 20: Critical Path Method (CPM) Key Takeaways: Project scheduling, critical path analysis.

#### Week 5: Project Planning – Scheduling & Resource Allocation

**Goal:** Learn scheduling methods and how to optimize resources effectively.

- **Lecture 21:** Programme Evaluation and Review Technique (PERT) *Key Takeaways:* Probabilistic project scheduling.
- **Lecture 22:** Risk Analysis with Simulation for Scheduling *Key Takeaways:* How to handle uncertainties in scheduling.
- Lecture 23: Gantt Charts & Scheduling with Scrum
   Key Takeaways: Visual scheduling tools for Agile and traditional PM.
- Lecture 24: Crashing a Project
   Key Takeaways: Speeding up project timelines efficiently.
- Lecture 25: Resource Loading
   Key Takeaways: Resource demand balancing in a project.

## Week 6: Transition to Project Execution (Part-III)

**Goal:** Dive into execution, tracking, and monitoring for project success.

- Lecture 26: Resource Leveling
   Key Takeaways: Managing resource constraints.
- Lecture 27: Goldratt's Critical Chain
   Key Takeaways: Theory of constraints in project scheduling.
- **Lecture 28:** Planning-Monitoring-Controlling Cycle *Key Takeaways:* Continuous project monitoring approach.
- Lecture 29: Earned Value Analysis (EVA)
   Key Takeaways: Measuring project performance against cost and schedule.
- **Lecture 30:** Agile Tools for Tracking Project Progress *Key Takeaways:* Jira, Trello, and other Agile tools for real-time tracking.

#### Week 7: Project Execution & Control

**Goal:** Learn about project control mechanisms, audits, and closing strategies.

- Lecture 31: Three Types of Project Controlling
   Key Takeaways: Steering, diagnostic, and post-project controls.
- **Lecture 32:** Control of Change Scope and Scope Creep *Key Takeaways:* Managing scope changes effectively.
- **Lecture 33:** Project Audit *Key Takeaways:* Importance and steps of a project audit.

- Lecture 34: Essentials of an Audit/Evaluation
   Key Takeaways: Best practices for project evaluation.
- **Lecture 35:** When to Close a Project *Key Takeaways:* Identifying project completion criteria.

## Week 8: IT in Project Management & Case Study

**Goal:** Leverage technology for project management and analyze real-world applications.

- **Lecture 36:** Benefits Realization & Case Study on Chandrayaan-3 Success *Key Takeaways:* Measuring project impact; learning from a world-class project.
- Lecture 37: Software for Project Management

  Key Takeaways: MS Project, Jira, Asana, Monday.com overview.
- **Lecture 38:** Demo on Project Management Software *Key Takeaways:* Hands-on experience with PM tools.
- **Lecture 39:** Simulation Software for Project Management *Key Takeaways:* Using simulation tools for risk and decision-making.
- **Lecture 40:** Course Summary & Key Takeaways *Key Takeaways:* Recap of the course, final Q&A session.

#### **Final Deliverables**

- Certificate of Completion
- Project Plan Assignment Practical application of course learnings
- Industry Case Studies & Templates

## Who Should Enroll?

- Working professionals looking to upskill in project management
- Fresh graduates aspiring to enter the project management field
- Team leads & managers handling project-based work
- ✓ Entrepreneurs looking to implement project management in their businesses
- ♦ Enroll Today & Master the ABCs of Project Management! ♦