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# **UNIT 4: MAINTAINING A CLEAN AND HAZARD FREE WORKING AREA**

## **Session 4: Use of different cleaning substances**

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# Session Objectives

The students will be able to:

- Gain knowledge about the cleaning substances.
- Explain about the different cleaning agents and equipments used in maintaining store.

# INTRODUCTION TO CLEANING SUBSTANCES

Cleaning substances are referred to as materials which are primarily used for cleaning purposes.

These cleaning substances can be further classified into:

- Cleaning agents (chemicals used for cleaning)
- Cleaning equipment

# CLEANING AGENTS FOR GENERAL HOUSE KEEPING OF STORE

- General housekeeping involves regular operations of cleaning and maintenance, thereby making the role of cleaning agents a primal one.
- The most common cleaning agents used include floor cleaners, disinfectants etc.

# CLEANING AGENTS FOR FABRICS & ACCESSORIES IN STORE

- Stored fabrics and accessories may get spoiled due to unforeseen reasons such as spillage, seepage etc. thus cleaning agents are required to clean them.
- The primary purpose of the cleaning agents is spot removal but can also involve dyeing and washing.
- They must be handled with care and precautions.

# Points to be kept in mind while using cleaning

.They should not be touched directly as it might lead to skin irritation.

They should be stored in a separate, designated area as coming in contact with them would lead to fatigue, headache and dizziness.

All the containers with cleaning agents should be well labeled and only authorized or limited personnel should be allowed to handle them.

Protective gear such as apron, skullcaps and gloves, etc should be made use of while handling cleaning agents as it might lead to breathing issues and damage of lungs.



# Classification of Cleaning Agents

Cleaning agents could be classified based on usage as follows:

## Cleaning agent for regular cleaning

- Used to ensure upkeep, shine & functionality of the fabric. (Antifoams, surfactants, chelants etc.)

## Cleaning agents for hard surface care formulations

- These include Surfactants, dispersants, chelants, solvents etc that cleans and improves fabric performance.

## Cleaning agents for maintenance of machinery & space

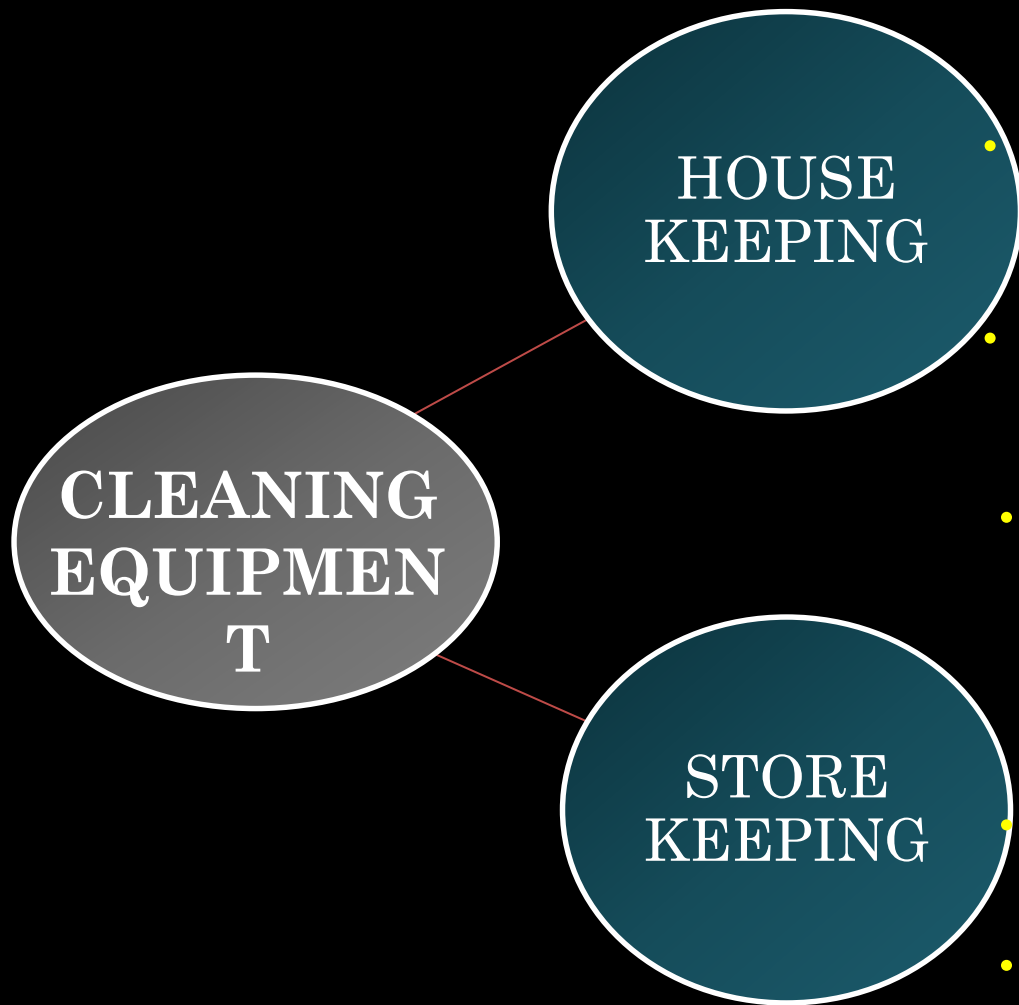
- They include disinfectants, floor cleaners, etc. which are used to clean machines and floor area.

# CLEANING EQUIPMENTS

The tools that are put to use to apply cleaning agents for the purpose of stain removal and housekeeping are referred to as Cleaning Equipments.



# Classification of Cleaning Equipments



- **Sponge & Rubber Mop**
  - To clean all the plastic pallets and floor.
- **Vacuum Cleaner**
  - To remove the dust and powder.
- **Broom**
  - To sweep the working areas.
- **Thread Sucking Machine**
  - To remove the loose threads on the top of the fabric.
- **Spot Gun**
  - to remove the stains.
- **Fabric Brushes**
  - To brush off the loose dust.

# Summary

In this session you have learnt about cleaning substances and different types of cleaning agents and equipments used in maintain store.

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