

SW 422 -Rural and Tribal Community Development

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Course Objective :

- Understand social structure, social relations and institutions in rural communities
- Develop sensitivity, commitment, and skills to influence critical issues in rural communities
- Understand the concepts to examine social phenomenon among tribes in India.
- Understand the policies, programmes and approaches of rural community development

Learning Outcome:

- Able to understand theoretical debates on society, social relations and institutions in rural and tribal community
- Able to demonstrate sensitivity in understanding different contexts of rural and tribal communities
- Able to familiarize with policies, programmes and approaches to rural development
- Able to demonstrate skills in conceptualizing and designing interventions for rural and tribal communities

COURSE CONTENT

Unit I: Understanding Rural Communities

- Understanding the village – real and imagined
- Social stratification and power in rural communities
- Agrarian relations and land reforms
- Migration: nature, pattern and implications

Unit II: Rural Community Development

- Rural community development: Concept, nature, philosophy and historical context
- Approaches to rural community development
- Policy instruments for rural development: National policy on agriculture, Forest policy
- Democratic decentralization and empowerment: Dynamics and functioning of Panchayati Raj
- Rural micro level planning, Tools, approaches and types
- Rural development in Five Year Plans

Unit III: Tribal Society in India

- Definition and Characteristics of Tribal Society
- Tribal Society in North East India

- Land Alienation; Indebtedness; Poverty; Migration in the context of Tribal of India

Unit IV: Development of Tribal in India

- Government Programs since Independence and their Impact on Tribal Societies,
- Constitutional Provisions: Indian Constitution: V & VI Schedule, Protective legislations
- New strategy for Tribal development; Tribal sub-plan
- Tribal Movements: Agrarian Movements; Ethno-Political movements

Textbooks:

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Additional Readings

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Sharma.K.L. (2001). Reconceptualising Caste, Class and Tribe. New Delhi: Rawat

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