SW574- Social Work and Livelihoods Promotion

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Course Objectives:

- To understand the concept of livelihood promotion and social development.
- To develop livelihood initiative and entrepreneurship among the marginalised communities.
- To acquire knowledge and apply social work skills and practices in developing livelihood interventions.
- To understand various programmes and policies related to livelihood generation for the vulnerable groups with special focus on northeast India.

Learning Outcome

- The students will gain detailed understanding on the concept, needs and importance of livelihood and related issues.
- Equipped with skills and knowledge in working with livelihood issues of vulnerable groups while working with Communities and Organisations.
- Develop a critical understanding of approaches and models used by apex developmental institutions in livelihood generation along with some successful case studies.
- Understand the contemporary government programmes and policies on livelihood promotion and challenges to strengthen them while working with government agencies and related research projects with special reference to the northeast.

COURSE CONTENT

Unit 1: Basic concepts and understanding of Theory

- Concept and definitions of livelihoods, Indicators and Principles
- Evolution, History and Importance of livelihoods.
- Understanding sustainable livelihoods framework analysis and strategies.
- Approaches and Models- BASIX, DFID, CARE, UNDP
- Participatory Livelihoods Assessment and Planning (PLAP)

Unit2: Livelihood Intervention with Communities

- Displacement and migration for livelihood, Feminisation of labour, Food security linkages
- Livelihood patterns and options/opportunities for the vulnerable groups
- Linkages of L.P.G on rural and urban livelihood

- Entrepreneurial and LivelihoodsTraining
- Livelihood generation and entrepreneurship specific to North East India

Unit 3: Programmes for Livelihood Promotion

- IRDP, FRA, LAAR, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Grantee Act (MGNREGA), DAY-NRLM,PMMY (PM Mudra Yojana), Stand Up India, Start Up India.
- Livelihood development programmes of UN and other international agencies (OXFAM, ACTION AID, World Bank).

Unit 4: Case Studies on Livelihood Models

Kudumbashree, Grameen Bank and SHGs, SEWA, NABARD projects.

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