

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -17 (DSC-17)**Tribes of India****CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE**

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical / Practice		
Tribes of India	04	03	Nil	01	Class XII pass	NIL

(Teaching hours required: Theory, 45 hours; Practical, 30 hours)

Course Objectives

The course is designed to help students understand the contested and problematic nature of the term 'tribe' and its definitional attributes. It also seeks to elucidate pressing issues faced by the tribes in India by focus on the contemporary issues, challenges and crisis that confront the rural and tribal communities in India.

Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, the student will be able to :

- comprehend the nature and concepts of tribe and indigenous communities in comparison to caste societies.
- understand critical issues, problems and challenges related to tribal societies both in historical and contemporary perspectives.
- understand the challenges of tribal development and associated solutions.

Syllabus:**Unit 1: On the concept of tribe (10 Hours)**

Concept and approaches to the study of tribes; classification, distribution and cosmogeny of tribes in India; Scheduled Tribes, *Adivasi* and Indigenous people; Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups, De notified communities

Unit 2: Tribes and institutions (11 Hours)

Kinship system, types of family, rules of marriage, tribal polity and governance, subsistence economy and tribal market, tribal religion: nature-man-spirit complex, Gender and Tribe

Unit 3: Issues in Tribal Development (12 Hours)

Problems of tribal communities in different parts of India; Displacement and Rehabilitation. Protest movements; Modernization, Globalization and Tribal Transformation

Unit 4: Tribes and Policy (12 Hours)

National Tribal Policy; Forest Rights, Food security, land acquisition, mining, tribal migrants

Practical (30 Hours)

The students shall prepare comprehensive project based on short fieldwork or from secondary sources on different dimensions of tribal life.

References:

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Teaching Learning Process

Lectures and Discussions
Seminars and Presentations

Assessment Methods:

Practical assignments/ project reports; theory, and practical examination at the end of term.

Keywords:

Scheduled Tribe, Caste, Tribal Development, Tribal Policy, Indigenous People