

Indian Institute of Technology Patna

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences

HS331 (Sociology of Development)

End-semester Examination (April 2016)

Answer any five questions. All questions have equal mark. Time 3 hours

- 1) Millennium Development Goals (MDG) has become the new *mantra* for human development. See the illustrative representation below. It highlights few of the goals. List all those goals not shown below and discuss the significance of any one of the eight for India's development. What role can technology play in that?



- 2) What are the important dimensions of Human Development Index (HDI)? Calculate the HDI when life expectancy at birth is 66.4 years, mean years of schooling is 4.4, expected years of schooling is 11.7, and gross national income-per capita is 5,150. Does multi-dimensional poverty index capture the complexities of poverty and inform policies better?

- 3) Elucidate the three pivotal perspectives of development discourse. What are the current trends in development theory? Why is community participation pivotal to the goals and means expected today?
- 4) Technology is an important component of development. What technological innovative intervention can you make to solve an important developmental need of contemporary India?
- 5) Sustainable development is very important and multidimensional. It desires better consumption practices and holistic relationships. Discuss.
- 6) Identity is important in varied ways. Nationalism as well as sub-nationalism evokes our youth for a better tomorrow. In this backdrop highlight the role education plays in identity negotiation for better tomorrow?
- 7) Discuss any two with examples from contemporary society:
 - (a) Migration and Health
 - (b) Social Movements
 - (c) ICT4D
 - (d) Caste and Social Networks