POLICIES AND PRACTICES IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Course Objective

To provide an insight into the basic concepts Rural Planning and Development in India and also to study the concepts of Administrative structure & Rural Education and Empowerment and to develop student's awareness of understanding the rural production and marketing

Course Outcomes

CO 1: To understand the basic concepts of Rural Planning and Development in India

CO 2: To outline the Administrative structure of Rural Areas and the concept of Rural Education

CO 3: To understand the problems involved in rural marketing and management and the concept of supply chain management.

Syllabus:

UNIT – I: Introduction to Rural Planning and Development (5 Lectures)

Rural Planning: Policies, Programs and Techniques; Detail steps in district and block level Rural Development Planning.

Rural Development: Concepts, Principles, Approaches and Indicators of Rural development; Overview of Rural development in India: Role of government and policy guidance of NITI Aayog for the Rural Development.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this unit students will be able to:

- Outline various policies, programs and techniques of planning. (L3)
- Indentify the steps in District and block level rural development planning. (L3)
- Understand the overview of Rural Development in India (L2)
- Analyse the significance of NITI Aayog in Rural Development (L4)

UNIT – II: Administrative structure and Rural Education (6 Lectures)

Administrative Structure: Bureaucracy, Structure of administration; Functions of government and non-government organizations for rural development; Generation and Mobilization of rural finance.

Rural Education: Significance of education in rural development, Importance of Female Education – Child Education, Reasons for school dropouts and challenges faced by the people living in rural areas in pursuing higher education.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this unit students will be able to:

- Understand administrative structure of Rural Areas. (L2)
- Identify the functions of government and non-government organisations. (L3)
- Analyse the importance of Rural Education and problems of Rural Education. (L4)

• Describe the various challenges faced by the living in rural areas in pursuing higher education (L3)

UNIT – III: Role of ICT and Co-operative societies in Rural Development (5 Lectures)

Rural Communication: Tools of Rural Communication – Media – Information Communication Technology (ICT); Rural Empowerment, Quality of Life in Rural Area

Agricultural and non-agricultural products; Market functionaries; Problems of marketing of rural products; Role of Co-operative agencies in marketing of agricultural and non-agricultural product.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this unit students will be able to:

- Understand various tools of Rural Communication (L2)
- Analyse the importance of Information Communication Technology (ICT) (L4)
- Describe the importance of agricultural and non-agricultural products. (L2)
- Analyse the various problems involved in marketing. (L4)

Text Books:

- 1. Katar Singh and Anil Shishodia, *Rural Development: Principles, Policies, and Management*, 4th Edition, SAGE Publications India Private Limited, 2016.
- 2. V. Nath, *Rural Development and Planning in India*, 1st Edition, Concept Publishing Co., 2010.
- 3. K. R. Gupta, Rural Development in India, Atlantic, 2017.

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- IGNOU, Rural Development Planning and Management, Gullybaba Publishing House Pvt. Ltd., 2018.
- G Palanithurai & R Ramesh, Globalization and Rural Development, 1st Edition, Concept Publishing Company, 2011.
- E Book on Sustainable Rural Development 3 years' initiatives and achievements by Ministry of Rural Development, 2018.