

Master of Planning with specializations in Environmental Planning

Environmental considerations are assuming an increasingly important role in planning and development of human settlements. Alarming consequences of ozone layer depletion, global warming, desertification, and air pollution, pollution of the oceans, species' extinction, deforestation and flooding are some of the manifestations of nature's reactions to human activities on the planet Earth. Implications of such environmental degradations have been the subject of growing concern to people all over the world, and has resulted in various initiatives and actions taken at global, regional, national and international levels.



Environmental Planning degree programme is specially designed to train students in methods for scientific evaluation of various factors for planning environmentally sustainable development of human settlements and regions. Environmental considerations at the planning stage would prevent many of the degradations that result later on. Land use planning, to be meaningful, has to take cognizance of the legislation enacted in the field of environment as well as advanced techniques and tools currently available for analyzing and predicting environmental problems.

The main objective of this programme is to impart adequate skills and exposure to the students to enable them to handle the complex challenges of environmental planning, design, impact assessment, and mitigation and preventive measures. The focus areas of the programme are environmental planning and design, techniques of measurement of water, soil, air and noise pollution, environmental management, environmental impact assessment, auditing and risk assessment, environmental economics, and environmental legislation. In addition, the students are encouraged to undertake training during summer vacations with environmental agencies and gain professional experience.