

**Solapur University, Solapur**  
**Ph.D. Course Work in Rural Development**  
**(w.e.f. June 2014-15)**  
**PAPER II:**  
**Theories and Practices of Rural Development**

Objectives of the course:

(i) To acquaint the students about the recent thinking and perspectives about Rural Development; and

(ii) To inculcate aptitude to critically examine various theoretical perspectives in the development debate.

Module I: Agrarian Society and Inclusive Development

Rural Society in India: agrarian and peasant social structure.

Basic characteristics of peasant and agrarian society. Agrarian Conflict;

Debate on modes of production and agrarian relations – Tenancy lands and labor.

Module II: Political Economy of Development:

Introduction to political economy: Meaning of political economy;

Significance of the study of political economy; Meaning and characteristics of

Development and under development; Marxian Political Economy;

Under-development and its causes; contemporary development dynamics.

Module III: Environment and Sustainable Development

Definition and Dimensions of Sustainable Development (SD); Theoretical Contributions to SD: From

Malthus to Marx and to the Club of Rome; Global Concerns, Agreements and Summits on SD;

National Policies for Sustainable Rural Development.

Module IV: Rights Based Approaches for Rural Development

Conceptual perspectives on Human Rights: Natural Rights Theory, Marxist Theory and Liberal

Theories; Universal Declaration of Human Rights; International Covenants; Emergence of Right to

Development; Rural Development in India: A Constitutional Perspective: Case studies on Right based RD programs.

Module V: Global-Local Linkages

Globalization and Information Technology; Globalization and Rural Poverty Reduction: Role of

United Nations; Re-thinking Rural Development in the context of Globalization; Engaging the

Global Rural; Localizing MDGs.

Module VI: Participatory Governance of Local/Rural Institutions: Concepts and Practices; Engaging with

participatory Local Governance; Concept of Social Accountability; Citizens Governance, Citizens Charters,

Developing Local Level Development Indicators for Governance; Conducting

Citizen's Surveys; Governance for effective service delivery for the rural poor; Citizen Centric

Administration: E-Governance; Good Governance and Capacity Building for Local Governance.

**Reference:** Internet Sources

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Chakraborty, Bimal.1996 : The United Nations and Third World, New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill Publishing Company Limited.

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Sing C.Chew, Robert A.Denemark (ed.) 1996: The under development ofDevelopment, New Delhi: Sage publications.

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**JOURNALS**

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Economic and political weekly. EPW Research Foundations, Mumbai.

Journal of Indian School of Political Economy: Indian school of political economy, Pune.

## **PAPER III:**

### **EMERGING ISSUES AND CONCEPTS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

Objectives of the Course:

- (i) To introduce the students to changing notions and concepts of rurality and rural development; and
- (ii) To sensitize students in the application of newly emerging concepts in the field.

Module I: Contributions of Amartya Sen and Mohamed Yunis to Development Thinking; Welfare Economics of Amartya Sen; An Overview of: Poverty and Famine (1981); Resources, Values and Development (1984); and Commodities and Capabilities (1985); Micro Finance and Empowering Locals.

Module II: Human Development: Concepts and Measures

Human Development: Meaning and Approach; Critic of Growth Oriented Theories; Evolution of Human Development Issues and Reports; Human Development Measures and Indicators/indices; Methods of computing HDI, critique of HDI; Other Indices: Human Poverty Index (HPI), Gender Development Index (GDI) and other qualitative measures.

Module III: Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

CSR and Rural Development; What is CSR; Some Dimensions of CSR; How it is implemented; CSR as Market Strategy; Importance of CSR for RD; Some Case Studies with reference to RD in India.

Module IV: Foreign Aid and Rural Development

The concept of bilateral and multilateral aid for Rural Development; Aid giving Institutions and Mechanisms of governance; Aid for Sectoral Development; Expected Impact of Aid; Motives of Aid; Critiques and Controversies of Aid; Why Aid and Politics of Aid;

Module V: Re-inventing Ruralities and Rural Tourism

Rurality and Development: Some conceptual Issues; Landscape Heritages; Creating Resources through Clustering; Emerging Trends in Agri-tourism and Rural Tourism; PURA of GoI.

Module VI: Application of Tools/Techniques

(MIS, GIS and GPS, PRAs, Micro-planning, and Social Audit)

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