SW 3809 : RURAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Objectives: To understand the Meaning and Problems of Rural Community.
To learn the history, philosophy, principles, objectives of Rural Community Development and to appreciate the Role of various Stakeholders in Rural Development
To inculcate the Social Work Skills for Rural Community Development

Total Hours: 45
Credits : 4

UNIT I

Rural Community Development: Definition, Concept, Philosophy, Objectives and Scope. History of Community Development. Approaches to Rural Community Development. Early community development interventions: Sriniketan, Marthandam, Gurgaon and Wardha project. (8 Hours)

UNIT II

Rural India: Characteristics of an Indian village - Social, Political and Economic. Analysis of Rural Problems: Poverty, Unemployment, Ill health, Shelter, Migration, Illiteracy, Social Exclusion, Discrimination, Access to amenities and Common Property Resources. (7 Hours)

UNIT III

Rural Governance: Meaning, Structures, Organization and administration – Village, Block, District, State and Nation. Role and Functions of Elected and Appointed functionaries. Issues: Coordination of Official and Non-Officials, Corruption, Planning and others. E-Governance in Rural Development. Training and capacity building for Rural Development Workers. (10 Hours)

UNIT IV

UNIT V

Partnership in Rural Development: WTO, World Bank, IMF, UNDP, ADB and UNICEF. Corporate Social Responsibility and its role in Rural Community Development. People’s organization. Strategies for Rural Community Development: Ahmad Nagar Project, Myrada Project, Laft, Windy’s Approach, Valnthu Kattuvom Project. Role and Skills of Community Development Worker: Identification and Working with Leaders, Resource Mobilization, Organizing the people, working in groups, networking, influencing panchayat bodies, Advocacy and lobbying.  

(10 Hours)

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- Chambers, R., 1983 Rural Development: Putting the Last First, Harlow, Longman,
- Dubhashi, P.R., 2000 Rural Development Adminstration in India, Mumbai.
- Sachinanda and Purnendu, 2001 Fifty Years of Rural Development in India, Firma KLM Pvt Ltd.Kolkata.