

As Per NEP 2020

University of Mumbai



Title of the program

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| A- P. G. Diploma in Rural Studies | } | 2023-24 |
| B- M.A. (Rural Studies) | | |
| C- M.A. (Rural Studies) | | |
| | - | 2027-28 |

Syllabus for

Semester – Sem I & II

Ref: GR dated 16th May, 2023 for Credit Structure of PG

Preamble

1) Introduction

The Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension (DLLE) established on October 12, 1978 and had been recognized as a Statutory Department of the University of Mumbai since 1994 to promote a meaningful and sustained rapport between the Universities and the community. Now it has recognized as one of the Teaching Department as per the decision of the Management Council, University of Mumbai, in 2009 and also MPU Act 2016. It is functioning under the Board for Lifelong Learning and Extension to create skilled and learned human power through its various degree level and skills development programs.

The jurisdiction of university of Mumbai is spread over the rural districts like, Thane, Palghar, Raigad, Ratnagiri and Sindhudurg in addition to Metropolitan city of Mumbai. The majority of learners are coming from rural areas from marginalized sections including learners from deprived groups of the community with modern culture of Mumbai and Thane cities. Hence, the subject of Rural Studies is essential to make the students aware of academic opportunities in rural areas and to understand essentials for rural development. The present syllabus for Rural Studies is framed in the vision to enhance the basis skills of the learners and develop the knowledge about various aspects of rural development.

To achieve this the Department has systematically evolved processes and curricula that enable the learners to be the ideal citizen striving for the welfare of the rural communities. The program led to draw well-educated youth to take up the challenge of transforming rural India. It would also enhance research excellence and contribution to the building of new knowledge for the rural society.

2) Aims and Objectives:

The aim of such program is making the learners aware about rural development process around the world from a multidisciplinary perspective. It aims to provide opportunity for self-development and in-depth study in rural development and to inculcate human values for rural community development.

The objectives of the program are as follows:

- 1) To introduce students with the basic concepts of Rural Studies.
- 2) To acquaint students with the concept, nature and characteristics of Rural Society.

- 3) To introduce advanced Methods and techniques of research and their application to Rural Studies.
- 4) To familiarize the students with the current developments and trends in the field.
- 5) To train learners in enhancing competencies as are required for rural studies.
- 6) To build knowledge resources about various aspects of rural development.
- 7) To introduce skill development programs to improve standard of living.
- 8) To equip the learners to become rural entrepreneurs.
- 9) To develop sense of respect towards rural culture and community.

3) Learning Outcomes:

We hope that the Department could build committed and competent professionals who could transform rural communities that are embedded in a culture of silence into those that can think and act on their own, plan their own destiny, control and manage their own institutions, evolve and adopt technologies for sustainable development as well as adapt changing demands of the society.

4) Any other point:

As per the current requirements for rural development, the skilled manpower is not available to the rural industries, rural banking sector and allied businesses. The well-trained staff requirements is an urge for the rural sector. This course focuses on the capacity building of participants to make them aware of rural development measures and sectors striving for the benefit of rural communities. This course also trains the participants about the techniques and methods of improvement in rural community, the ways to reach to untrained people and provides an opportunity of basic learning and training facilities available for self-improvement.

5) Credit Structure of the Program (Table as per annexure 1.)

MA Part- I Sem-I= 22 + Sem-II =22 Total Credit: - 44

c) Classroom Test – 10 Marks

d) Field Work **20 Marks**

Letter Grades and Grade points:

Semester GPA / Program CGPA Semester / Program	% of Marks	Alpha-Sign / Letter Grade Result
9.00 - 10.00	90.0 - 100	O (Outstanding)
8.00 -< 9.00	80.0 -< 90.0	A+ (Excellent)
7.00 -< 8.00	70.0 -< 80.0	A (Very Good)
6.00 -< 7.00	60.0 -< 70.0	B+ (Good)
5.50 -< 6.00	55.0 -< 60.0	B (Above Average)
5.00 -< 5.50	50.0 -< 55.0	C (Average)
4.00 -< 5.00	40.0 -< 50.0	P (Pass)
Below 4.00	Below 40	F (Fail)
Ab (Absent)	-	Absent

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Syllabus
(M. A. in Rural Development)
(Sem. I & II)

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Justification for M.A. (Rural Studies)

1.	Necessity for starting the course:	At present 30 colleges affiliated to University of Mumbai are conducting bachelor's degree Course in the said subject. There is a need arising from the students for advance knowledge about the subject and degree to progress further.
2.	Whether the UGC has recommended the course:	YES
3.	Whether all the courses have commenced from the academic year 2023-24	The course will commence from academic year 2023-24.
4.	The courses started by the University are self-financed, whether adequate number of eligible permanent faculties are available?	Adequate number of eligible permanent faculties are available.
5.	To give details regarding the duration of the Course and is it possible to compress the course?	Duration 2 years.
6.	The intake capacity of each course and no. of admissions given in the current academic year:	Intake 40 students
7.	Opportunities of Employability / Employment available after undertaking these courses:	After completing this course, the students are eligible to work as Project Officer / Agriculture (Krushi) Officer at Agriculture Ministry and other Government Departments. Eligible to work as Assistant Professor in Colleges and Universities. Eligible to work in Gram Panchayat / Gram Administration at Officer Level. Eligible to work in NABARD / Krushi Vidnyan Kendra, Rural Banks and NGO's at officer level.

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