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Item No. – 5.32 (N) Sem I (19a)

As Per NEP 2020**University of Mumbai**

**Syllabus for Extension Work
Basket of OE**

Board of Studies in Extension Work**UG First Year Programme**

Semester	I (One)
Title of Paper	Credits
Rural Studies- I	2 Credits
From the Academic Year	2024-25

Name of the Course: Rural Studies- I

Sr. No.	Heading	Particulars
1	Description of the Course	As globalization and urbanization continue to redefine human settlements, understanding the complexities of rural areas becomes increasingly crucial for addressing global challenges and fostering sustainable development. Rural areas, often characterized by their proximity to natural landscapes, close-knit communities, and traditional livelihoods, play a significant role in the socio-economic fabric of nations. However, they also face unique challenges, including poverty, environmental degradation, inadequate infrastructure, and limited access to services. This course aim to capture the multifaceted nature of rural life and engage with the complexity of rural issues from diverse perspectives.
2	Vertical	OE (Open Elective)
3	Type	Theory
4	Credit	2 Credits (1 Credit – 15 hours for Theory in a Semester)
5	Hours Allotted	30 Hours
6	Marks Allotted	50 Marks

7	Course Objectives: The course aims to equip students with the knowledge, skills, and perspectives necessary to understand, analyze, and contribute to the advancement of rural communities and their sustainable development. 1. To provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the socio-economic, environmental and cultural dynamics inherent in rural communities. 2. To examine the socio-economic structures, livelihood patterns, and economic activities prevalent in rural areas. 3. To acquaint the learners with the role of agriculture, natural resource management, and rural industries. 4. To enable the learners to understand the functioning of governance structures and institutions in rural areas and their role in rural development.
8	Course Outcomes: After studying the course, the students will be able to 1. Express ideas and information about the socio-economic, environmental, cultural, and governance dynamics inherent in rural communities. 2. Demonstrate the socio-economic structures, livelihood patterns, and economic activities prevalent in rural areas with clarity. 3. Adopt and define the role of agriculture, natural resource management, and rural industries. 4. Explain the functioning of governance structures and institutions in rural areas and their role in rural development.
9	MODULES: - MODULE I. INTRODUCTION TO RURAL STUDIES 15 Lectures 1. Defining Rural Studies and its scope. 2. Dynamics of rural studies (Socio-economic environmental, cultural). 3. Structure and economic activities in Rural Society. MODULE II. GOVERNANCE IN RURAL SOCIETY 15 Lectures 1. Local governance: village councils, panchayats and their functioning. 2. Role of NGOs, civil society organizations, and grassroots movements. 3. Government policies and rural development initiatives.
10	Textbooks: (NA)

11	Reference Books: • Cloke, P., Marsden, T., & Mooney, P. (Eds.). (2005). Handbook of Rural Studies. SAGE Publications. • Bryden, J., Henry, C., & Thompson, K. (Eds.). (2013). Handbook of Rural Development. Edward Elgar Publishing. • Moseley, M. J. (2003). Handbook of Human Geography. SAGE Publications. • Singh, S. (Ed.). (2019). Rural Development in India: Issues, Policies, and Programs. SAGE Publications.	
12	Internal Continuous Assessment:40%	Semester End Examination: 60%
13	Continuous Evaluation through: • Class Test / Assignment: 10 Marks • Presentation: 05 Marks • Classroom Participation: 05 Marks	
14	Format of Question Paper: for the final examination (Semester End Examination) Question 1 Essay Type 1 out of 2 (Module 1) 10 Marks Question 2 Essay Type 1 out of 2 (Module 2) 10 Marks Question 3 Shorts Notes 2 out of 4 (Module 1 & 2) 10 Marks	



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