

RURAL AND TRIBAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I. Rural Community: Meaning, Characteristics. Rural Problems and their implications: Poverty, Illiteracy, Unemployment, problems related to Agriculture, Community Health and Infrastructure. Community Development: Concepts, Definition, Objectives, Philosophy and Principles. Early Experiments in Community Development. Concept of Extension Education.

II. Rural Development Administration: Administrative Structure for Rural Development- Central and State level. Panchayat Raj: Evolution and Functions of Panchayat Raj System; Salient Features of 73rd amendment. Cooperative Movements in India: Principles, Characteristics, Types and functions of Cooperatives. Rural Development Agencies (CAPART, Banks and Voluntary Agencies). People's Participation in Sustainable Development.

III. Tribes: Concept, Definition, Characteristics of the tribal community, Nomadic and Denotified Tribes; Major Indian Tribes and Tribes in Tamil Nadu. Constitutional Provisions for the protection of Tribes; Problems of Tribes: Child Marriage, Poverty, Ill-health, Illiteracy, Exploitation and atrocities on tribes; lack of infrastructural facilities and amenities; Tribal resettlement and rehabilitation and its related problems. Tribal Movements and Tribal Revolt.

IV. Tribal Development Administration: Administrative Structure at Central, State and District Levels. Rural Development Programmes: Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), Micro-credit and Women's Development Schemes. Tribal Development Policies and Programmes; Tribal Sub-plans.

V. Problems in implementation of Rural and Tribal Development Programmes. Application of Social Work Methods and Role of Social Workers. Role of Voluntary Agencies in Rural and Tribal Development

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