

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIETY

Introduction:

This course aims at introducing the learners to critical enquiry into the history, ideologies and to help the learners to understand fundamental objectives of social work profession, its values and ethics as linked to contemporary ideology for social change.

Objectives:

1. To develop an insight into the historical context of origin and development of social work Profession.
2. To impart social and religious ideologies of India for change.
3. To create an understanding about theoretical framework of the subject.
4. To imbibe an idea anent Social structure and social problems.
5. To infuse Philosophical foundation and value base of social work profession.

Unit – I

Social Work: Concept, Definition and Historical development of Social Work in UK, USA and India; Concepts: Social Service, Social welfare, Social Security, Social Defense, Social Justice, Social Development and Social Reform.

Unit – II

Social Work as a Profession: Nature and scope, objectives, philosophy, principles, methods, values and ethics: Professional Social work and voluntary Social work. Social Work Theories: Role theory, Problem solving theory and Gestalt theory.

Unit – III

Methods of Social Work: Social Case Work – Social Group Work – Community Organization – Social Work Research – Social Welfare Administration – Social Action – Field of Social Work: Family and Child Welfare, Women Welfare, Youth Welfare, Community Development (Rural, Urban & Tribal), Medical and Psychiatric Social Work, Correctional Social Work and Labour Welfare.

Unit – IV

Concept of Society, Community Association, Institution, Social Groups, Culture and Its elements, Social stratification, Social processes, Social change – Social movements and Social control.

Unit – V

Concept of Urbanisation, Industrialisation, Modernisation, Sumshritisation – Social disorganisation – Social Institutions – Family, Marriage, Religion, Economic, Educational and Political institutions.

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