

ELECTIVE – I – PRINCIPLES OF COOPERATION

UNIT I:

Definition – evolution of the idea of cooperation –its philosophy. Earlier attempts – Robert Owen – his philosophy and mission – his attempts and achievements – his contribution to the development of the co-operative ideas.

UNIT II:

Principles of co-operation – meaning of co-operation. Evolution of cooperation Principles – Rochdale principles – Reformulation of cooperative principles. Committee on cooperative principles 1937 and 1966 application of co-operative principles in practice.

UNIT III:

Co-operation and other form of Economic organizations – Co-operation and capitalism, communism and socialism – Co-operation as a sector, a system, and a movement – cooperative commonwealth – characteristics of cooperative Economy – Benefits of cooperation – Economic, Social, Moral, Ethical, Educational and Political.

UNIT IV:

Structure of Cooperative movement in India – credit and non-credit, Agricultural and non-agricultural – a brief discussion about the objects, functions and working of various cooperative institutions in Tamil Nadu.

UNIT V:

Co-operative Education – need and importance – role of cooperative unions – sructure and functions of Cooperative unions.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED:

1. Mathur - Co-operation in India.
2. Dhuvanshi - Principles and Philosophy of cooperation.
3. Krishnamoorthy O.R. – Fundamentals of cooperation
4. Hough E.M. – Co-operative Movement in India