
PS207: DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION & GOOD GOVERNANCE

Course Rationale:

On the basis of the general understanding of Public Administration the students are now introduced to the interplay between development and administration, the course proceeds from the historical evolutionary context to redefining development and administration in the light of liberalization and globalization agendas. Mechanisms for development, focal areas of transformation, welfare economics and reframing the development agenda form part of this course.

Course Outline:

Unit 1. Development Administration: Nature of Development, Emerging Concerns, Reframing development: Economic Reforms in India. Humanizing the landscape.

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Unit 2. Governance : Theories. Governing without Government, Self governance. 10

Unit 3 Bureaucracy and Development: Institutional Framework for Policy Advice

(Cabinet Secretariat and PMO), Bureaucracy Reform, Planning Objectives,

Mechanism (Planning Commission, NDC) and Rise and Decline of Development

Planning in India.

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Unit 4. Human Development and People's Participation: Trends in Human Development. Assessing Human Development(HDI). People's Perception of Development, Participatory Governance.

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Unit 5. Economic Reforms and the poor. Poverty and Development programmes.

Mortality Fertility & Gender. Central & State Welfare Schemes.

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Unit 6. Education: India's Educational Backwardness & Kerala Model. Madhya

Pradesh. Education Guarantee Scheme, Economic Handicap of Educational

Backwardness. Public Health: issues.

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Unit 7: Evaluation of development programmes and projects.

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Select Readings

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