PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTIONS AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

SEMESTER II

Course Code: DPPG-5

Max. Marks: 100

External: 70

Internal: 30

Pass: 40%

Credits: 6

Course Outcomes (COs):

CO1: Explain the role of public policy institutions in achieving sustainable development goals (SDGs).

Focus areas: National and international institutions, UN agencies, NITI Aayog/Planning bodies, integration of SDGs in policies.

CO2: Discuss how governance and institutional frameworks influence sustainable development.

Focus areas: Good governance, rule of law, transparency, accountability, participatory decision-making, institutional capacity.

CO3: Examine the challenges faced by public policy institutions in balancing economic growth, social equity, and environmental sustainability.

Focus areas: Trade-offs, policy conflicts, climate change, poverty reduction, industrialization vs. conservation.

CO4: Evaluate the role of international agreements and institutions in shaping national sustainable development policies.

Focus areas: UNFCCC, Paris Agreement, Rio Summit, WTO, World Bank, IMF; their impact on domestic policy formulation.

CO5: Critically analyze policy measures adopted in India to promote sustainable development.

Focus areas: Renewable energy, Swachh Bharat, National Action Plan on Climate Change, poverty alleviation, social welfare schemes.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/ EXAMINER:

1) The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2) The Question Paper will have 70 Multiple Choice questions (MCQs) and four choices of answers will be there covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 1 mark. All questions will be compulsory; hence candidates will attempt all the questions.
3) Paper-setters/Examiners are requested to distribute the questions from section A and Section B of the syllabus equally i.e., 35 questions from section A and 35 questions from Section B.
4) The examiner shall give clear instructions to the candidates to attempt questions.
5) The duration of each paper will be two hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE STUDENTS

The question paper shall consist of 70 Multiple Choice questions. All questions will be compulsory and each question will carry 1 mark. There will be no negative marking. Students are required to answer using OMR (Optimal Mark Recognition) sheets.

Section-A

Unit 1: Public Policy Institutions and the SDGs: Role of national institutions (NITI Aayog, planning bodies), Role of international institutions and UN agencies, Integration of SDGs into policies

Unit 2: Governance and Institutional Frameworks for Sustainability: Good governance and rule of law, Transparency and accountability, Participatory decision-making and institutional capacity

Unit 3: Balancing Development and Sustainability: Trade-offs between economic growth, equity, and environment, Policy conflicts and contradictions,

Unit 4: Challenges of climate change: poverty reduction, and conservation etc.

Section-B

Unit 5: International Agreements and Global Institutions: UNFCCC, Paris Agreement, Rio Summit outcomes, WTO, World Bank, and IMF roles, Impact on national policy formulation

Unit 6: India's Policy Measures for Sustainable Development: Renewable energy initiatives, Swachh Bharat Mission, National Action Plan on Climate Change, Poverty alleviation and social welfare schemes

Unit 7: Contemporary Challenges and Future Directions- Climate crisis and green transition, Role of technology and innovation

Unit 8: Future pathways for sustainable development policies

Suggested Readings

- Bibek Debroy & Aditya Sinha, *India's Policy Milestones and the Role of NITI Aayog* (Rupa Publications, 2019)
- Jeffrey D. Sachs, *The Age of Sustainable Development* (Columbia University Press, 2015)
- Ramesh K. Arora, *Good Governance: Concepts and Approaches* (Palaka Prakashan, 2006)
- Amartya Sen, *Development as Freedom* (Oxford University Press, 1999)
- M.S. Swaminathan, *Sustainable Agriculture: Towards Food Security* (Konark Publishers, 1996)
- Vandana Shiva, *Staying Alive: Women, Ecology and Development* (Zed Books, 2010)
- Sunita Narain, *Conflicts of Interest: My Journey through India's Green Movement* (Penguin India, 2017)