Semester II

DPRIT4 : PAPER I: RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND WELFARE PROGRAMMES

Objective:

This paper aims to provide students with an understanding of the role of Panchayati Raj Institutions in implementing rural development and welfare programmes. It focuses on major government initiatives related to employment, housing, sanitation, health, women empowerment, education, skill development, and farmer welfare. The course also examines the contribution of PRIs in promoting self-employment, livelihood generation, and inclusive rural development.

Course Outcomes (COs):

CO1: Understand the role of Panchayats in rural development.

CO2: Explain major government welfare schemes.

CO3: Analyze social and economic development initiatives.

CO4: Evaluate the role of PRIs in livelihood and empowerment.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will have four questions each from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks each. The candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C will have fifteen short answer questions covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 3 marks. Candidates will attempt any 10 questions from this section.
4. The examiner shall give a clear instruction to the candidates to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.
5. The duration of each paper will be three hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B of the question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

Paper I

DRPIT4	**Paper I: Rural Development and Welfare Programmes** **Section A** 1. Role of Panchayats in rural development 2. MGNREGA 3. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Rural) 4. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan **Section B** 5. National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) 6. Women empowerment and social security schemes 7. Education, skill development, agriculture and farmer welfare 8. Role of PRIs in self-employment and livelihood generation	M.M – 100 Ext. - 70 Int. - 30 Pass -40%

Suggested Readings

- S. N. Mishra (1997). Panchayati Raj in India. New Delhi: Mittal Publications.
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- Government of India (Various Reports). State Finance Commission Reports and Rural Development Programme Documents.
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