

SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY
UG PROGRAMME UNDER CBCS

B.A. RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(With effect from the Academic Year 2021-22)

III SEMESTER

Course – III (Core): Indian Rural Economic Scene

Expected Outcomes:

- Understand the dynamics of population growth and work force in rural areas.
- Gain knowledge on the process of development of different sectors of rural economy, viz., agriculture, rural industries and business and services sector.
- Analyse the relevance and effectiveness of efforts aimed at bringing about institutional changes in agriculture, rural industries and rural infrastructure.
- Analyse the problems and prospects of MSMEs.
- Critically evaluate the efforts aimed at conservation of land, water and forest resources through watershed management and developing non-conventional sources of energy.

Unit-1: Demographic Structure of Rural India

12 Hours

Trends in Rural Population Growth– Causes and Consequences of Overpopulation: – Composition of Rural Work Force: Emerging Trends.

Unit-2: Development of Agriculture

12 Hours

Green Revolution – Land Reforms – Dry Land Agriculture – Importance of Organic Farming – Promotion of Allied Activities: Dairying, Sheep/Goat Rearing, Poultry and Aquaculture – Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bhima Yojana – Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana

Unit-3: Development of Rural Industries**12 Hours**

Khadi and Village Industries Commission – District Industries Centre – Industrial Estates –Artisans Development – MSMEs: Problems and Prospects

Unit-4: Rural Infrastructure and ICT**12 Hours**

Bharat Nirman – Prime Minister’s Grameen Sadak Yojana – Role of Information and Communication Technology in Rural Development: MeeSeva, E-marketing, Remote Sensing, Land Records and Human Resources Records.

Unit-5: Conservation of Natural Resources**12 Hours**

Conservation of Land, Water and Forest Resources – Watershed Management – Conservation of Energy: Conventional and Non-conventional Sources

Books and References

1. N.I.R.D. : Facets of Rural Development in India
2. S.C. Jain : Rural Development
3. K. Venkata Reddy : Rural Development in India: Poverty and Development, Himalaya Publishing House, Mumbai, 2012
4. Katar Singh : Rural Development: Principles, Policies & Management
5. G. Sreedhar and D. Rajasekhar : Rural Development in India: Strategies and Processes, Concept Publishing House, New Delhi, 2014
6. Misra & Sarma : Problems & Prospects of Rural Development.
7. Vasant Desai : A Study of Rural Economy

Publications of A.P. Telugu Academy

Journals: Kurukshetra, Yojana, Jagruti, Khadi Gramodyog, Journal of R.D.

Recommended Co-curricular Activities:

1. Assignments on the constraints for the development of agriculture and allied activities based on field studies at the village level.
2. Group Discussion/ Seminar on the usefulness and constraints of organic farming, problems and prospects of MSMEs, watershed management programmes, etc.
3. Individual/ Group Field Studies on the economics of different crops grown, dairying, sheep/goat rearing, poultry units, aquaculture units, etc.
4. Observational visits to specific watershed sites, solar electricity project sites, wind power project sites and Dry land agricultural research stations, Krishi Vignana Kendras, organic farming sites, drip/sprinkler irrigation sites, etc.
5. Impact studies on organic farming, solar pumpsets, specific MSMEs, PM grameen sadak yojana, etc., at the village level.

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MODEL QUESTION PAPER

Time: 3 hours

Marks: 75 marks

Note: This question paper contains two parts A and B.

Part A is compulsory which carries 25 marks. Answer any five of the following questions in Part A.

Part B consists of 5 Units. Answer any one full question from each unit. Each question carries 10 marks

PART - A

Answer any Five of the following question.

(5X5=25M)

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PART - B

Answer All The Questions. Each question carries 10 marks (5X10= 50M)

11.	(A) OR (B)
12.	(A) OR (B)
13.	(A) OR (B)
14.	(A) OR (B)
15.	(A) OR (B)