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POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SUSTAINABLE RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PGD-SRD)

10th Batch (2018), 2nd Semester

Course SRD – 505: Project Planning and Management <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>

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Total Marks: 30

Note:

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Block-1: Project Planning

- 1. Describe the guiding principles for brainstorming.
- 2. What have been different evolutionary phases of Project Management?
- 3. What is the logical framework approach and describe the aspects of vertical and horizontal logic?
- 4. What are the characteristics of a Project and what are the dimensions of its performance?
- 5. What is a major output from planning phase?

Block -2: Project Management

- 1. Describe the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) by giving an example?
- 2. What is a Management Information System (MIS) and how is it useful in the monitoring and evaluation of a project?
- 3. What are the advantages of decentralized planning? Also describe multilevel planning and district planning.
- 4. Write on PERT and CPM techniques used for monitoring?
- 5. Give an example of Cost-Benefit Analysis. What is the most appropriate stage for doing this exercise in a project's life cycle?

Block -3: Management Functions and Conflict Resolution

- 1. What are major quantitative measures employed for assessing the performance of a Manager?
- 2. What are the major causes of conflicts arising in a society? Give an example from your own region where some innovative conflict resolution techniques have been successfully adopted.
- 3. What is the importance of Manpower Planning for an Organization?
- 4. Describe major advantages and disadvantages of planning?
- 5. Why is an effective Time Management so necessary for project implementation?

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Course SRD – 506: Stakeholders in Rural Development <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>

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Block 1: Rural Development and its Stakeholders

- 1. Write an elaborate note on role of SHGs in Social Mobilization & Contribution in economic activities.
- 2. What is stakeholder analysis? Why is people's participation important as stake holders?
- 3. Describe in detail the features of RTI Act, 2005.
- 4. What do you understand by Public Private Partnership? Describe various forms of partnerships.
- 5. Write in detail the major methods used in stakeholder analysis?

Block 2: Cooperatives and Other Formal and Informal Organisations

- 1. What are the objectives of cooperation? What is the nature of modern cooperation?
- 2. How do you differentiate between the various values of cooperation?
- 3. Distinguish between conventional and integrated model of cooperation?
- 4. What is meant by limited and unlimited liability?
- 5. Write a note on National Cooperative Development Cooperation (NCDC) and discuss in detail its role in promoting cooperatives.

Block 3: Credit and Micro Finance

- 1. What do you meant by distress? Explain briefly.
- 2. What are the features of the good credit system?
- 3. How has the Andhra model of sales and groups emerged as a role model in India?
- 4. Highlight the various critical issues in the micro finance institutions?
- 5. What are the objectives of MFIs and explain their limitations?

Block 4: Conflict and Conflict Management

- 1. What do you understand by conflict? What is the difference between conflict and a dispute?
- 2. Do you agree that caste system causes social conflicts? Support your answer with elaborate details?
- 3. Write a note on conflict resolution and institutional mechanisms for the same.
- 4. Describe in detail different consequences of conflict?
- 5. What is the role of Village Chief in conflict resolution in traditional societies? Highlight the differences between the traditional modern beliefs approach to resolution?

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Course SRD – 507: Appropriate Technologies and Practices for Sustainable Rural Development

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Block 1- Energy and Development

- 1. What have been the broad objectives of rural electrification and to what extent these have been achieved?
- 2. What have been the major causes for failures of bio-gas plants in most places ?
- 3. How has energy become so important for the economic growth of a Nation? Has it also been a major source of international agreements/disagreements?

Block 2- Water and Development

- 1. Why is water so important for human life ? Do you agree that inter-state conflicts over water sharing have become more severe during the last decade?
- 2. Is roof water-harvesting largely an urban phenomena or it is also being been utilized in rural areas? What are major methods of roof water harvesting used in your area?
- 3. Write a note on safe drinking scenario in your area. Also describe some innovative and cheap methods to supply clean drinking water to rural people.

Block 3- Rural Infrastructure

- 1. What are different kinds of low cost effective houses ? Also describe most commonly used house construction material in your area.
- 2. How effective have been government policies in ushering in rural industrialization?
- 3. How can the establishment of agro processing centers help in the income and employment generation for the rural youth and women?

Block 4- ICT & GIS for Rural Development

- 1. What are the major advantages of GPS?
- 2. Write a note on importance of GIS application in Rural Development?
- 3. What are the salient features and key components of National e-governance Plan?

Block 5- Technologies for Sustainable Agriculture

- 1. What is the importance of conservation of bio-diversity and what are the major strategies to be adopted for forest conservation ?
- 2. How has the climate change been effecting the agriculture and livestock production? What are the major innovative techniques to reduce its impact?
- 3. Write a note on sustainable livestock husbandry?