

VEER NARMAD SOUTH GUJRAT UNIVERSITY

M.R.S Part – I

Paper - 1 : Rural Economics

Objective :

This Syllabus is designed to develop adequate theoretical understanding among students regarding rural economic structure and its functioning, its dynamics, problem areas and possible alternatives.

Unit 1: Meaning of Economics

- ⇒ Rural Economy and its characteristics.
- ⇒ Various Programmes and Policies adopted for the Development of Rural Economy.

Unit 2: Institutional Land Reforms-objectives, legislations and measures, and performance.

- ⇒ Abolition of Intermediaries.
 - ⇒ Tenancy Legislations.
 - ⇒ Ceiling Legislations.
 - ⇒ Legislations regarding Fragmentation of land and consolidation of land holdings.
 - ⇒ Cooperative agriculture.
- Other attempts at Land Reforms eg. Bhudan movement and movements such as Telangana and Tebhaga.

Unit 3: Technological land Reforms. Need for adoption of Green Revolution Technology- It's meaning and impact.

Unit 4: Food Security - It's meaning and importance Role of Public Distribution System. New Economic Policy. Liberlization and Globalization and its impact on agriculture in particular.

Unit 5: Poverty - Concept - Causes and Manifestations - Poverty and its relation to asset distribution.

Unit 6: Rural Unemployment - Nature of Rural Employment. Changes and patterns of Employment in context of NEP. Phenomenon of jobless growth and Informalization of labour. Current issues of Employment Policy in India.

Unit 7: Rural Labour Force - Characteristics and Composition - Wages rates their concepts, legislation and trend. Problems of Child Labour, Women Labour, Migrant Labour, Bonded Labour, Agricultural Labour, Landless Labour.

Unit 8: Development of Rural Economy. Diversifying Agriculture, Indigenous technology, Development of Common Property Resources, Literacy and training of Rural People. Legal literacy and Organization of Rural poor.

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