Sociology General
Urban Sociology

Semester: V	Subject Code: A 51711	Lectures: 60

Objectives:
• To explore the rapid and profound social, economic , cultural and political changes that we have witnessed over the past decades due to the advent of information technology revolution. • To understand the role of community and society in urban area. • To understand the concept of urbanization and its dimensions, their impact on urban life.

Unit 1: Introduction	10

• Nature and scope of urban sociology
• Importance of urban sociology
• Concepts –
   o Urban society
   o Ecology
   o Community
   o Urbanization, Urbanism
   o Pre-industrial city,
   o Urban culture,
   o Urban locality
   o Urbanization
   o Suburb, Metro cities
   o Heterogeneity	

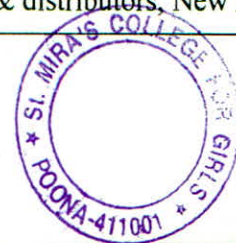| Unit 2: Urban sociological theories	14

• Classical sociological tradition
   o Tonnies
   o Simmel
• Urban community and spatial dimensions
   o Louis- Wirth
   o Mc Kenzie	

Unit 3: People and lifestyles in the Urban and Suburban Culture	12
- Class differences and spatial location - Class stratification - New urban middle class and spatial differentiation - Women, gender roles and space - Women in the urban environment - Gendered space - The revitalization of the city - Revitalization of urban culture - Image building for global positioning - New consumer spaces	

Unit 4: Urban Problems and Planning in India	12
- Introduction - Socio spatial approach to social problems - Urban Problems - Poverty - Unemployment - Housing crisis, Slums and homelessness - Crime - Urban Planning - Short history of urban planning in India - Urban social welfare - New trends: community participation, Smart city	

Assignments and library hours – 12 hours

Recommended Text Books:

- Mark Gottdiener ,Ray Hutchinson and Michael T.Ryan (2015) - The New Urban Sociology(5th Edition)- Westview Press, UK
- Mark Abrahamson (2014)- Urban Sociology, A Global Introduction, - Cambridge University Press USA.
- Jan Lin and Christopher Mele(2nd Edition)2013- The Urban Sociology Reader – Routledge Taylor and Francis group , New York.
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- David A. Karp, Gregory P. Stone, William C. Yoels, and Nicholas P. Dempsey (3rd Edition)(2015) – Being Urban , A sociology of city life – Praeger, USA.
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- William G. Flanagan (5thEdition)(2010)- Urban Sociology, Images and Structure-Rowman and Littlefield Publishers Inc., UK.
- Dr.R.N.Sharma (2005),- Urban Sociology-Surjeet Publications, Kamala Nagar, Delhi
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Reference Books:

- Richard T. LeGates and Frederic Staut (6th Edition),2016- The City Reader-Routledge New York, NY.
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- George Gmelch, Walter P. Zenner(4th Edition)(2002)- Urban Life : Readings in the Anthropology of the city,- Waveland Press.

Sociology General
Sociology of Information Society

Semester: VI	Subject Code: A 61711	Lectures: 60

Objectives:
- To explore the rapid and profound social, economic cultural and political changes that we have witnessed over the past decades due to the advent of information technology revolution.   - To understand the role of technology in shaping social structures and institutions, social life and relationships and understanding of self and others   - To understand internet and related computer technology,

Unit 1: Introduction : Technology society and historical change	10
- From agriculture society to industrial society - Information revolution and towards information society - Basic concepts - - Informationalism - Industrialism - Capitalism - Fordism and post-Fordism - The self in the informational society - Post-industrial society	

Unit 2: Theoretical Orientation	14
- Network Society - Manuel Castells - Information and the Market - Herbert Schiller - Information, reflexivity, and surveillance - Anthony Giddens	

Unit 3: The transformation of work and employment	10
- Networkers, jobless and flexi timers - Post industrialism - The service economy and the information society - The new occupational structures - The work process in the informational paradigm	

Unit 4: Information society and culture	14
- The rise of media culture - The new media and the diversification of mass audience. - Computer mediated communication - Institutional control - Social networks - Virtual communities.	

Assignments and library hours – 12 hours

Recommended Text Books:

- John P. Feather (6th Edition) (2013)- The Information Society, A study of continuity and change,- Facet publishing, London,
- Robert Hassan (2008) – The Information Society,- Polity Press, Bridge Street, Cambridge, UK.
- Christian Fuchs (2008) - Internet and Society,Social Theory in the Information Age- Routledge Publication, New York.
- Armand Mattelart (Translated by Susan G. Taponier and James A. Cohen) (2md Edition)(2005)- The Information Society , An Introduction,- Sage Publication, New Delhi.
- Anthony G. Wilhelm (2004)- Digital Nation-toward an inclusive information society, - The MIT Press Cambridge, Massachusetts, London ,England..
- Christopher T. Marsden (2005) – Regulating the Global Information Society,- Routledge New York,NY.
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- Manuel, Castells (1996)- The Rise of Network Society, Blackwell, Publishers
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- Verena A Conley 1993 Rethinking Technology, Minneapolis, University of Minnasota Press.
- P. Zrkocrzy, N Heap Information Technology, Pitman.
- Arvind Singhal and Rogers Everett : India's Communication Revolution From Bullok Carts to Cyber Mart, Sage Publications.
- Bhatnagar Subhash (2000) : Information and Communication: Technology in Development, Sage Publication
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- Alistair Black, Dave Muddiman and Helen Plant2007- The Early Information Society ,Information Management in Britain before the Computer- Ashgate Publishing LTD Hampsire England .
- Barrie Axford and Richard Huggin, (ed) 2001 : New Media and Politics, Sage, India.
- P.Preston, 2001 : Reshaping Communications – Technology Information and social Change, Sage Publications : New Delhi.
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