

Rethinking Development

GENERIC ELECTIVE

SEMESTER –III

UG/SOC/GE/3.1

Objective:

This paper examines the ideas of development from a sociological perspective. It introduces students to different approaches to understanding development and traces the trajectory of Indian experience with development from an interdisciplinary perspective.

Outline:

1. Unpacking Development
2. Theorizing Development
3. Developmental Regimes in India
4. Issues in Developmental Praxis

Course Contents and Itinerary

1. Unpacking Development

- 1.1 Bernstein, Henry. *Underdevelopment and Development*. Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1973. Introduction: Development and the Social Sciences. Pp. 13 – 28.
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- 1.4 Ferguson, J. 2005. 'Anthropology and its Evil Twin; 'Development' in the Constitution of a Discipline', in M. Edelman and A. Haugerud (eds.) *The Anthropology of Development and Globalization*. Blackwell Publishing. pp 140-151.

2. Theorizing Development

- 2.1 Harrison, David. *The Sociology Of Modernization And Development*. London: Routledge, 1991. Chapters 1 &2. Pp. 1 – 54
- 2.2 Frank, Andre Gunder. 1966. 'The Development of Underdevelopment', *Monthly Review*. 18 (4) September 17-31
- 2.3 Redclift, Michael. 1984. *Development and the Environmental Crisis. Red or Green alternatives?* New York: Methuen & Co. Chapter 1 and 7, pp 5-19, 122-130
- 2.4 Visvanathan, Nalini, Lynn Duggan, Laura Nisonoff & Nan Wiegiersma (eds). 1997. *The Women, Gender and Development Reader*. Delhi: Zubaan, pp 33-54

2.5 Sanyal, Kalyan. 2007. *Rethinking Capitalist Development: Primitive Accumulation, Governmentality and Post-Colonial Capitalism*. New Delhi: Routledge, pp 168-189

2.6 Sen, A. 1999. *Development as Freedom*. New Delhi : Oxford University Press, pp. 3-11

3. Developmental Regimes in India

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4. Issues in Developmental Praxis

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4.2 Sharma, Aradhana. *Logics of Empowerment: Development, Gender and Governance in Neoliberal India*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2008. Chapters. Introduction, Chapter 4 and Conclusion