

SYLLABUS FOR Ph.D ENTRANCE TEST

SOCIAL WORK - 2026

UNIT I

SOCIAL WORK PROFESSION: Definitions, Meaning and nature. Historical development of Social work in India and west. Contemporary ideologies of social Work. Attributes of Professional social worker. Social work as a profession.

UNIT II

WORKING WITH INDIVIDUALS : Social Case work as a method of social work, principles, Skills, components, and models of Social case work. Theories of social case work and social case work in different settings.

WORKING WITH GROUPS : Social group work as a method of social work, principles, Skills and models of Social group work. Theories of social group work and social Group work in different settings.

UNIT III

WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES : Community organization as a method of social work, principles, Skills and models of community organization. PRA, sustainable development, Need and importance of documentation.

UNIT IV

SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION : History of Social Work Education, field work practicum problems and challenges. Need for Indigenization of Social work education. Different issues of Social Work education in India.

UNIT V

SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE IN HEALTH SETTING : Medical and Psychiatric social work. Preventive, Curative, Rehabilitative and Clinical interventions. Community medicine, Counseling and therapies. Functions of a medical and Psychiatric social worker.

UNIT VI

SOCIAL WORK IN INDUSTRIES : Recent trends in human resource management. Need and significance of labor welfare and Industrial relations. Industrial social work labor laws.

UNIT VII

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT : Rural Development: Concept, Nature, scope, History, Ideology & Programmes in India- a Critical appraisal. Role of Social workers in facilitating Participatory & Sustainable programmes for Rural & Tribal development. Urban Community Development and Urban Development: Meaning, Need, Scope. Origin of UCD in India.

ROLE OF SOCIAL WORKERS IN IMPLEMENTING DIFFERENT GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS : Different on-going governmental developmental initiatives. Writing project proposals and implementation of projects.

UNIT VIII

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY :

- Qualitative and Quantitative methods of Social work research.
- Social work research: Definitions, Functions, Scope and process.
- Sources of research problem, criteria of good research problem, defining the research problem.
- Developing the statement of the problem, and research questions, Review of literature, formulation of objectives.

UNIT IX

RESEARCH DESIGN:

- Research designs by purpose of study: Exploratory, Descriptive, and Explanatory.
- Research designs by intended to use:
 1. Intervention research designs or Social work research designs: Single subject research design, Withdrawal/ reversal design, multiple component design.
 2. Action research design
 3. Evaluative research design
- Research designs to asses cause and effect relationship: Experimental and Non experimental.

UNIT- X

SAMPLING & DATA COLLECTION:

- Sampling-Meaning, Sampling design process, Methods and types of sampling.
- Tools of data collection: Use of existing scales. Observation, questionnaire, and Interview schedule.
- Data processing: Pilot study pre-testing, Editing, Coding, Recording, and computing the scores, Preparation of master chart.
- Data analysis and interpretations: techniques and types.
- Research report writing: Organizing research report, reference, foot note, and bibliography


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