Syllabi of PhD Course work –2014-
Department of Palli Charcha Kendra

One semester 3 courses
1) Course no.-I; Research methodology and Techniques 100 marks
2) Course no.-II; Elective course; Development Studies 100 marks
3) Course no.-III; Book Review of published research work & Presentation of Research Synopsis 100 marks

Total 300 marks

Course no.-I; Research methodology and Techniques 100 marks

(A) Concepts—
(i) Understanding Scientific Research: Research; Objectivity, realities and ethics in research
(ii) Special Features of Social Science Research: Importance of communication skill, power of expression in speaking and writing.
(iii) Different steps in Social Science Research.

References:
2) Research method: A step by step guide for beginners by Ranjit Kumar, Sage. 2005

(B) Qualitative Methods—
(i) Case Study, Social Survey
(ii) Significance of qualitative methods in Research
(iii) Methods of Qualitative Data Collection
(iv) Qualitative data interpretation

(C) Quantitative Methods—
(i) Diagrammatic and Tabular representation of statistical data
(ii) Measures of Central Tendency and dispersion
(iii) Correlation and Regression Analysis
(iv) Methods of Sample Survey
(v) Statistical tests of Significance

References—
5. Agarwal, B.L. Basic Statistics. New Age International Publishers
**Course no.-II; Elective course: Development Studies 100 marks**

1) **Critical Understanding of the Domain—**

A) Non-essentialist and Other perspectives-

a) Orientalism  
b) Overdeterminism  
c) Neo-Althusserian marxism  
d) Post colonial capitalism and governmentality  
e) Discourse and power-TOT, industrialisation – agriculture debate  
f) Geo-politics  
g) Rethinking Rural Development

Reference-

1) Kalyan Sanyal-Rethinking Capitalist Development-Primitive accumulation, Governmentality and post colonial capitalism-2007-Routledge  
2) Ajit Chowdhury, Dipankar Das and Anjan Chakraborty-margins of margins-Anustup  

4) Stuart Hall and Bram Gieben (ed)-Formations of Modernity-Polity Press  
5) Michel Foucalt-Text, Discourse and Ideology-The order of Discourse  
6) Arturo Escobar-Beyond the search of a paradigm-post development and beyond-2000-In ‘Development’-Society for international development  
7) Louis Althusser-Contradiction and Overdeterminism-For Marx-Penguin press  

B) **Marxian theories of Development—**

a) Evolution  
b) Issues related to LDCs  
i) Historical Materialism  
ii) Capitalist Development and Mode of production  
iii) Differentiation perspective  
iv) Agrarian Transition  
v) Dependency and Unequal exchange

Reference list-

1) Paul M. Sweezy-The Theory of capitalist Development-KP Bagchi  
2) V.I. Lenin-The Development of Capitalism in Russia-Progress Publishers  
3) Utsa Patnaik-Agrarian relation and accumulation-Mode of production Debate in India-Sameeksha Trust Publication  
4) Hayami & Godo-Development Economics-From the poverty to the Wealth of Nations-Oxford  
5) A, P. Thirlwall-Growth and Development-with special reference to Developing economies-ELBS  

(C) **Neo-Liberal Paradigm and Rural Development—**

a) Washington Consensus
b) Post Washington- Consensus Development
i) Development of Social Capital theory
ii) Livelihood approaches
iii) Territorial Approaches-SEZ/FRA/MRA
iv) Sustainable Developments

Ref:
1) Robert Putnam- Bowling Alone: The Collapse And Revival Of American Community. by Robert D.Putnam
Institute of Development Studies 1998
3) Alain de Janvry and Elisabeth Sadoulet- Towards a territorial approach to Rural Development-International
experience and implications for Mexico’s microregion strategy-University of California at Berkeley July 2004
4) Britha Miekelsen-Methods for Development Research-Sage

(2) Mainstream theories of Development—Dr. Rathindra Nath Pramanik---40 marks
(A) Neoclassical Theories
a) Evolution
b) Issues related to LDCs
i) Development-GNP/per capita income paradigm
ii) Labour-Surplus labour theories; Rural-Urban linkages-migration
iii) Capital-Critical Investment, Big Push and low-level eqm.-trap
iv) Hirschman and his development paradigm
v) Terms of Trade and development

Reference list-
1) Hayami & Godo-Development Economics-From the poverty to the Wealth of Nations-Oxford
2) A. P. Thirlwall-Growth and Development-with special reference to Developing economies-ELBS
3) Debraj Ray-Development Economics-Oxford

Course no.-III: Book Review of published research work &Presentation of Research
Synopsis

100 Marks