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Course structure and syllabus for
M.Phil of ATTS
(W.e.f. 2009-10)

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M.Phil Syllabus in Tribal Studies
(2009-2010 Academic Session)

(As per the provisions of Ordinance relating to Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) Programme under Section 31(1) (d) of the Rajiv Gandhi University Act, 2006,) which is yet to be approved as per rule.

Total marks : 600

1st Semester : 2 papers of 100 marks each = 200
(External Examination : 75 marks. Seminar : 25 marks for each paper)

2nd Semester : 2 papers of 100 marks each = 200
(External Examination : 75 marks, Seminar : 25 marks for each paper)

Seminar programme : 100 marks

Each student shall have to prepare and present ONE seminar paper of 25 marks each during the period of the course work in an area related to his/her Masters Degree discipline, having a bearing on the course contents of the syllabus.

3rd Semester: Dissertation : 200

(Evaluation: 150 marks. viva-voce : 50 marks)

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FIRST SEMESTER

Paper I	: Research Methodology	:100 marks
Paper II	: Tribal Life and Institution in India	:100 marks

SECOND SEMESTER

Paper -III	: Tribal life and Folldore in Arunachal Pradesh	:100 marks
Paper IV.	: Languages of Arunachal Pradesh	:100 marks

For Paper IV the Institute has the provision for one or more of the following options subject to availability of resources.

1. Languages of Arunachal Pradesh
2. Traditional socio-political institutions of Arunachal Pradesh.
3. Man, culture and environment with particular reference to Arunachal Pradesh

(Note: From 2009-10 session only the first option is offered by the Institute)

THIRD SEMESTER

Dissertation : 200 marks

The dissertation shall carry 150 marks for the script and 50 marks for the viva-voce.

(Note: In the Dissertation part, the student should opt for a dissertation topic related to his/her Masters Degree discipline as far as practicable. However, the topic should also connect to the academic perspective of the Institute).

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FIRST SEMESTER

Paper I : Research Methodology : 100 marks

(The paper has been introduced to acquaint students with the basic methodology and field techniques for carrying on inter-disciplinary researches in social sciences with special reference to tribal studies)

I. Basics in Research

Research and its objectives; Concept, research and theory; steps in theory building; nature and characteristics of scientific research; methods and methodology, tools and techniques; Ethics in research; Reliability and validity; Theoretical procedures- Diachronic or genetic, functionalism, structuralism; systematic, dialectical.

II. Planning the Research and Hypothesis Formulation and Testing
Research design, synopsis writing, Hypothesis Formulation and Testing

III. Tribal Studies, Research Approaches

(a) Nature, scope and evolution of tribal studies

(b) Approaches: Methodological- Anthropological, Historical, Inter-disciplinary, Folkloristics; Emic and Etic views; Reductionistic, holistic and system; Comparative;

Policy approach in India- Isolation, Assimilation and Integration

IV. Sources of field data, Data Processing, Analysis Thesis Writing

PRA, Handling Museum and Archival sources, maintenance of field notes and field diary; Audio-visual methods of data collection- use of tape recorders, still photography, videography, Use of Internet, Classification, tabulation, processing, interpretation and analysis of data.

Organization and format

(a) Documentation: referencing, bibliography style, citation, appendix, reference of internet data

(b) Abstract/executive summary

(c) Preparing draft thesis

V. Statistical and Field Methods

Collection of data: primary and secondary sources, published and unpublished sources, Sampling-types, sampling errors

Presentation: Tabulation; Diagrams-histogram, frequency polygon, pie-chart

Statistical tools: mean, median, mode, characteristics and application of statistical tools

Field Methods: Observation, Interview- types and tools and techniques, Case Study, Genealogical and Life History

Recommended readings:

1. Ghosh, B.N: Scientific Method and Social Research, Sterling Publishers, New Delhi, 3rd Edition, 1985.
2. Young, V. Pauline: Scientific Social Surveys and Research, Prentice Hall of India, N. Delhi, 8th Indian Reprint, 1988.
3. Srivastava, V.K. 2004. Methodology and Fieldwork, OUP, New Delhi.
4. Danda, A.K. (1992) Research Methods in Anthropology Inter India Publication, New Delhi.
5. Pelto, Petti, J & Gretal H. Pelto : Anthropological Research - the Structure of Inquiry.
6. Gibaldi, Joseph (2005): *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*, 6th Edition. Affiliated East West Press, New Delhi.
7. Gupta, S.P., (New Edition): *Statistical Methods*, Sultan Chand and Sons, New Delhi.
8. Ahuja, Ram, (New Edition) : *Research Methods*, Jaipur, New Edition.
9. Sharma, B.A.V., Ravindra Prasad, D. Satyanarayana, P.: *Research Methods in Social Sciences*, Sterling Publishers, New Delhi. New Edition.
10. Satyanarayana, B., Kishan Rao, S., Narasimhulu, M. (New Edition) *Research Methods in Social Sciences*. Himalaya Publishing House, Bombay.

Further Reading

1. Anderson, J. Durston, B.J. & Poole Millicent: Thesis and Assignment Writing, Wiley Eastern, Ltd., New Delhi, 12th Reprint, 1992.
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4. Epstein A.L. (1967) Crafts in Social Anthropology, Tavistock Publication, London.
5. Good, R & P. Hatt : Method in Social Research.
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