

Name of the Programme : M. A. Public Administration
Title of the Course : Local Governance in India
Course Code : PAD-504
Number of Credits : 4
Effective from AY : 2022-2023

Pre-requisites of the Course:	Nil	
Course Objective:	The course will help students develop an understanding of the concept and theories of decentralization and the nature of local institutions both at the urban and rural level, including problems and challenges of urban and rural development. They will be familiarized with the various programmes implemented by local bodies.	
Content:	Module 1: Meaning and significance of Local Self Government; Historical development and landmarks in the evolution of Local Government; structures of local government in India and Goa.	10 hours
	Module 2: Urban Governance: Urbanisation: Concept, Trends & Challenges; Structure, Function and Role of Urban Local Bodies: Municipal Corporation; Municipal Council/Committee; Nagar Panchayat; Critical Evaluation of 74 th Constitutional Amendment Act; Urban Development Programmes: Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT); Deendayal Antyodaya Yojna – National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAYNULM); Smart Cities	18 hours
	Module 3: Rural Governance: Rural Development: Perspectives, Policy & Strategies; Structure, Functions and Role of Panchayati Raj Institutions; Critical evaluation of the 73 rd Constitutional Amendment Act; Rural Problems and Challenges; Rural Development Programmes: Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA); Deendayal Antyodaya Yojna – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAYNRLM) and major flagships programmes	20 hours
	Module 4: Rural-Urban Relationship; Local Government Finances; State Finance Commission; State Control over Local Bodies; Administrative Reforms in Local Governance; Decentralised Planning, District Planning Committees; Committees of urban and rural local bodies	12 hours
Pedagogy:	Lectures, discussions, presentations and field visits to understand the working of urban and rural local bodies.	
References	1. Ahluwalia, Isher Judge. (2017). Urbanisation in India. New Delhi: Sage. 2. Arora, R. K. & Goyal, R. (1996). Indian Public Administration. New Delhi: Vishwa Prakashan. 3. Aziz, A. (1996). Decentralised Governance in Asian Countries. Ed. New Delhi: Sage. 4. Bhadouria, B. D. S. & Dubey, V. P. (1989). Panchayati Raj and Rural Development. New Delhi: Commonwealth Publishers. 5. Bhattacharya, Mohit. (1976). Management of Urban Government in India. New Delhi: Uppal.	

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Course Outcomes:	<p>At the end of the course the student will be able to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand the origin, evolution and structure of local self-government in India, 2. To understand the concepts, trends and challenges in urban and rural governance in India, 3. To comprehend the nature of urban and rural development programmes 4. To understand the relationship between urban and rural institutions, 5. To analyze the role of local governance institutions in development of the state.

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