

# Syllabus

## SOC O 732 : ਭਾਰਤੀ ਸ਼ਹਿਰਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਸਮੱਸਿਆਵਾਂ (Problems of Urban India)

### Objective

This course familiarize te students with the contemporary urban situation in India, apart from the historical trends and patterns of urbanization in India. Focus shall be on the recently emerging urban problems and the approaches which have been used to tackle to urban population of India, so as to enable them to develop research problems for further specialization in the given area.

### Unit-I

#### India's Urbanization

Historical account of Urbanization in India  
Trends and Pattern, Features  
Urbanism and Urbanization, Over-urbanization  
Rural-Urban Migration. Urban Informal Sector, Tertiarization  
Mega Cities of India

### Unit-II

#### Urban Basic Services

Definition, Intra and Inter-City Variations :  
Water Supply, Power, Sanitation and Sewerage, Solid Waste Management, Education, Health etc.

#### Environmental Pollution

Cities and Pollution, Causes, Types and Remedies  
Urban Transport and Traffic Management

### Unit-III

#### Approaches to Urban Management

Approaches :  
Public Provision, Privatization and People's Participation  
Community Participation- Strengths and Weaknesses  
Lessons from Empirical Cases

### Unit-IV

#### Urban Poverty in India

Concept of Urban Poverty; Theoretical Explanations- Structural and Cultural, Economic and non economic indicators

Culture of Poverty, Critique.

Empirical situation of Urban poverty in India, Housing, Slums, Features of Indian Slums and Causes, Women and Child Poverty.