

BACHELORS WITH ANTHROPOLOGY AS MAJOR (CT – I)

6th SEMESTER

ANT622J1: ANTHROPOLOGY _ ANTHROPOLOGY IN INDIA

CREDITS: THEORY = 3; PRACTICAL = 1

COURSE OUTCOMES

- *The students will learn about the concepts of tribes, their classification and distribution.*
- *They will also learn about peasantry and how it is related to tribes.*
- *For the practical component, they will learn how to write an ethnographic report.*

UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION

- Origin and Development of Anthropology in India (Phases and Stages)
- Contemporary debates In Indian Anthropology
- N.K. Bose, L.P. Vidhyarthi, T.C. Das and B.S. Guha
- D. N Majumdar, S C Roy, M N Srinivas and S.S. Sarkar

UNIT 2: BASIC CONCEPTS

- Hindu social system: concept of Varna, Jati, Caste, Ashram or purusharatha.
- Social Change: Concept, factor and reasons for social change in India.
- Nature-Man-Spirit Complex, Industrialization, Urbanization, Culture Contact (Acculturation): The Hindu Methods of Tribal Absorption.
- Little and great tradition.

UNIT 3: PEOPLE AND ETHNICITIES

- Demographic profile of India.
- Ethnic Diversity
- Linguistic Diversity
- Genetic Profile: Ancestral South-Indians and North-Indians.

PRACTICAL (1 CREDIT)

- To organize community visits and to write a brief report about the area and community.
- **Book Review:** Students should read a basic Anthropological Book/Monograph on Indian Society thoroughly and learn the skill of reviewing a book. They should submit a hard copy of the review, with full Reference, duly signed by the concerned teachers (within 400-500 words).

SUGGESTED READINGS

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