

SEMESTER-III (Pool-B)

COURSE NAME : SOCIOLOGY OF AGING

(CHOI-B21)

Number of Credit: - 02

Maximum marks: 50

Unit 1

Aging as a Concept:-Biological & Physiological, Social and Psychological Aging.

Myths and Reality about Old Age. Demographic Dimensions of the Elderly.

Unit II

Micro Sociological Perspectives of Aging:

- Role Theory (Aging and the Individual),
- Activity Theory,
- Disengagement Theory

Unit III

Macro Sociological Perspectives of Aging:

- Modernization Theory,
- Age Stratification Theory,
- Political Economy Theory

Unit IV

Society and Aging:

- Status of the Aged in the Family-Urban and Rural Settings.
- Neglect and Abuse of Elderly in Family.
- Aged in Different Societies- Tribal, Traditional, and Modern.

Unit V

Problems of aged and Rehabilitation:

- Economic, Social, Physical and Psychological Problems.
- Emerging Factors Responsible for Aggravating Problems of the Aged.
- Strategies for Coping with the Problems of the Aged, Social Security Schemes and other Developmental Programmes.

Essential Readings:

1. Bose, A. & Gangrade, K.D. eds. (1988) Aging in India, New Delhi: O.U.P.
2. Bhatia, H.S. (1983) Aging and Society, Udaipur: Aryan Publishers.
3. Birren, J. E. (1959). Handbook of aging and the individual.
4. Dandekar, Kumudini (1996) The Elderly in India, New Delhi: Sage Pub. Pvt. Ltd.
5. Desai, Murli & Siva Raju (2000) Gerontological Social Work in India: Some issues & Perspectives, New Delhi: B.R. Pub Corp.
6. Donald, Cowgill (1972) Aging & Modernization, New York: Meredith Corp.
7. Nouwen, H. J., & Gaffney, W. J. (1976). Aging. Image.
8. Schulz, J. H. (2001). The economics of aging. ABC-CLIO.
9. Sharma, M.L.; and Dak, M.K. (1987) Aging in India, Delhi: Ajanta Pub.
10. Wilson, Gail (2000) Understanding Old Age: Critical and Global Perspectives, New Delhi, Sage Publications.