MACEC 2.5.1 RURAL DEVELOPMENT (Optional Paper)

Module I: Nature and scope

Rural Development; Objectives of Rural Development Philosophy;Rural Problems, Poverty, Unemployment, Inequality.

Rural Development models; Contribution of Lipton, Gandhi, VKRV Rao,
Lalith Sen and Gadgil.

Module II: Rural Development Strategies

Sectoral terms of trade-controversy in India - Rural Development Programmes.

Micro Level Planning-Design and Evaluation of Rural Development Projects - Block Plans.

Rural Infrastrucutre and Services Rural Market Networks, Rural Transport, Education, Health, Nutrition and Sanitation Rural Energy.

Location theory of rural services Losch, Christaller, Weter and Isard Models.

Module III: Rural Demography

Population growth and migration, rural to rural migration rural-urban migration. Todaro model implications Rural Urban Relations. Positive and Negative effects on rural social and economic life.

Module IV: Rural Development Administration Structure and Organisation in India

Panchayat Raj Institutions, People's Participation. 'Role of NGO's and voluntary agencies in Rural Development.

Rural Credit System; Institutional and Non Institutional Sources Cooperation Banks Commercial Banks, Regional Rural Bank NABARD - Micro Finance - Self Help Group Management.

Module V: Rural Industrialization

Strategies for developing rural industries, financing of rural industries, rural industrial entrepreneurship - DIC. Rural Labour.

Module VI: Microlevel Planning

Design and evaluation of rural development projects - Block plans, Antyodaya Programme.

Module VII: Rural Development Administration

Structure and Organization in India.

Module VIII: Rural Labour

Employment, levels of living, organization of rural labour and rural labour cooperatives, rural exployment policies.

Module IX: Rural Development Policies and Programmes

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