Syllabus template

Semester: VI	
Programme : SOCIOLOGY	
Course : Social Movements	
Paper code: C3SO230631T	**Credits: 4**
Hours/week : 4 hours/week	
Category: Core/MDC/SEC/VAC : CORE	
Theory / Practical / Composite : THEORY	
No of Modules : 2	

Course Overview: This course provides a comprehensive introduction to the study of social movements, focusing on their definitions, components, and types. Students will explore foundational theories and approaches, gaining insight into the dynamics that drive collective action and social change. The course examines select examples of social movements in India, highlighting their historical and contemporary significance. Building on these foundations, students will analyze new trends in social movement studies, including the Cultural Turn and Affective Turn, which emphasize the roles of culture, emotion, and identity in mobilization. The course also addresses the impact of digital technologies on social movements, exploring how online platforms shape activism, participation, and outcomes in the digital age.

Course Outcome:

1. Recall the basic concepts, components, and types of social movements.
2. Explain major theories of social movements, including Resource Mobilisation, Political Process, Functionalist, and Marxist approaches.
3. Apply theoretical frameworks to select examples of social movements in India.
4. Analyze the new trends in social movements, such as the Cultural Turn and Affective Turn, and their implications.
5. Evaluate the role and impact of social movements in the digital age, considering both opportunities and challenges.
6. Formulate ideas and perspectives that integrates multiple theories and trends to address a contemporary social issue.

Prerequisites:

SYLLABUS

UNIT/Module	CONTENT	HOURS or NUMBER OF CLASSES	CO Mapping	COGNITIVE LEVEL
I.	Module A 1. Introducing Social Movements: Definition, Components, Types 2. Theories of Social Movements: Resource Mobilisation Approach, • Political Process Approach, • Functionalist Approach, • Marxist Approach	2 hours/week	CO1 CO2 CO3 CO4 CO5 CO6	K1, K2,K3,K4,K5,K6

	3. Social Movements in India: Select Examples			
II.	Module B 4. New trends in Social Movements: The Cultural Turn The Affective Turn 5. Social Movements in the Digital Age	2 hours/week	CO1 CO2 CO3 CO4 CO5 CO6	K1, K2,K3,K4,K5,K6
III.				
IV.				
V.				

Text Books

1. Chesters Graeme and Ian Welsh. 2015. *Social Movements :The Key Concepts*. Routledge:UK, USA and Canada.
2. Chandra Udit and Daniel Taghioff (eds) 2016. *Staking Claims: The Politics of Social Movements in Contemporary Rural India*. Delhi : Oxford University Press.
3. Castells Manuel. 2015. *Networks of Outrage and Hope: Social Movements in the Internet Age.* UK and USA : Polity Press
4. Goodwin Jeff and James M. Jasper (eds) 2009. *The Social Movement Reader: Cases and Concepts*. United Kingdom: Blackwell Publishing (Select Chapters)
5. Oommen T.K. ed. 2010. 'Introduction' in *Social Movements I: Issues of Identity*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press. pp1-46.

Suggested readings

1. Ray Raka and Mary Fainsod Katzenstein (eds). 2005. *Social Movements in India: Poverty, Power and Politics*. UK: Rowman and Littlefield Publishers Inc.
2. Ruggiero Vincenzo and Nicola Montagna (eds). 2017. *Social Movements: A Reader*. Special Indian Edition. Routledge: UK, USA and Canada
3. Sanghvai, Sanjay. 2007. The New People's Movement in India. *Economic and Political Weekly.* XLII : 50 pp 111-117.
4. Savyasaachi (ed). 2018. *Intractable Conflicts in Contemporary India: Narratives and Social Movements*. UK, USA and Canada: Routledge.
5. Savyasaachi and Ravi Kumar (eds). 2014. *Social Movements: Transformative Shifts and Turning Points*. New Delhi. Routledge
6. Shah Ghanshyam ed. 2002.'Introduction' *in Social Movements and the State*. Delhi: Sage Publications. pp13- 31.

Web Resources

1. Sociology of Social Movement; Swayam Online : https://onlinecourses.swayam2.ac.in/cec24_hs62/preview
2.
3.
4.

Evaluation CIA : 30 marks; Semester Exam: 70 marks

Paper Structure for Theory Semester Exam Module : Total Marks – 70 Modules -2 (35 marks each)

Module A 1 long question out of 2:1X15=15 2 short questions out of 4: 2X10=20
Module B 1 long question out of 2: 1X15=15 2 short questions out of 4: 2X10=20

Course outcomes (COs) and Cognitive Level Mapping

COs	CO Description	Cognitive levels
CO1	Define the basic concepts, components, and types of social movements.	K1
CO2	Classify major theories and approaches of social movements.	K2
CO3	Implement these theoretical frameworks to select examples of social movements in India.	K3
CO4	Compare the new trends in social movements, such as the Cultural Turn and Affective Turn, and their implications.	K4
CO5	Assess the role and impact of social movements in the digital age, considering both opportunities and challenges.	K5
CO6	Develop ideas and perspectives that integrates multiple theories and trends to address a contemporary social issue.	K6