

PLACEMENT BROCHURE 2017



ENGENDERING DEVELOPMENT

Department of
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RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu.



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Director's Message



Shri Gaurav Agarwal

Dear Recruiter,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to be part of the placement activities of Department of Development Studies, in our campus.

RGNIYD is an institute, set up with the vision of empowering youth to champion and facilitate the development of this great nation of ours. India, as a dynamic collective, is evolving at an exciting rate; incorporating new technologies and paradigms for development; as we gear up to meet the needs of our masses. The Department of Development Studies in RGNIYD is uniquely positioned, with an integral mix of perspective building and skill based courses, field based learning approach and research focus to meet the variegated demands of the development sector in the country.

Perhaps the greatest strength of our programmes, including the M.A in Development Policy and Practice course, lies in the values we try to instil in our students as part of their engagement with development discourses. We educate our students to be participative, empirical, and inclusive in their praxes for nation building and we strongly believe these to be valuable additions to any organizations they might find themselves engaged with in future. I welcome you to acquaint yourself with our program in Development Policy and Practice, through this brochure and cordially invite your interest and engagement in the placement process of the department.



Head of the Department's Message



Dr. Pitabasa Sahoo

Dear Recruiter,

The time has come again for us to expose the one of the best pools of talents to the Public, Private and Corporate sectors, where the youth can be tested and absorbed.

The Department of Development Studies, RGNIYD is proud to introduce to you, the batch 2015-17 of MA Programme in Development Policy and Practice.

The students in the batch are from diverse walk-of-life, which has resulted in both class room and field experience. The curriculum of the MA Programme in Development Policy and Practice has been dynamically designed as per needs and aspiration of the development sector. The curriculum is constantly updated to reflect the latest development in the sector.

I am sure, you will find our students suitable to your organisation and look forward to a long term relationship.



About RGNIYD

Vision:

As the apex national agency for youth development, the Institute strives to develop into a globally recognized and acclaimed centre of academic excellence in the field of youth development, fully responsive to the national agenda for inclusive growth, and the needs and aspirations of young people of the country to realize their potentials to create a just society.

RGNIYD,

- Caters to the variegated needs of scholars
- Provides immense exposure for a successful career
- Offers stress free environment for maximization of output
- Opens up miscellaneous mediums for self-improvement
- Facilitates skill development and course specialization

Key focus areas of the institute are:

- Catalyst in youth development
- Policy and practice level interventions
- Leveraging the network for the youth in national and international level
- Promoting inclusive development



DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

A master's degree in Development Policy and Practice aims at building a set of qualified and skilful development professionals with prime focus on policy making and its evaluation. The course has a definitive focus on the vulnerable sections of society and emphasizes on inclusive approaches to development. The programme clearly stresses the importance of combining theory along with the required levels of practical experience at the field work as well as organizational level. The component of policy making is an inherent feature built into the curriculum of the course.

Objectives:

- Critical engagement with policies policy making processes
- Creation of a set of responsible and qualified development practitioners
- Conceptualizing inclusive models of development that problematizes the structural inequities in Indian context
- Development and deployment of participatory relations with the public
- Exploring new models and scales of partnerships for development
- Collaborations with NGOs and start-ups for innovative models of public engagement
- Engagement in cutting edge, multi-disciplinary research on developmental issue
- Evolving perspectives for a right-based, sustainable development paradigm

Training Programmes

- Training Programme on Market Focus into Rural Enterprises
- Training Programme on Nutrition Awareness and Attitude Towards Health Among Tribal Community
- Sustainable Livelihoods for Marginalised Community
- TOT on Youth Employability
- Training Programme on Vocational Skills

International Linkages

- International Organization for Migration (IOM)
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- UN Solution Exchange (UNSE)
- International Labour Organization (ILO)

National Linkages

- Tata Institute of Social Sciences
- Centre for Development Studies (CDS)
- Madras Institute of Development Studies (MIDS)
- MS Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF)
- DHAN Foundation
- Gandhigram Rural University
- Ambedkar University

FACULTY



Dr. Pitabasa Sahoo

Head of the Department

Specialised in Rural Development & Planning and Development



Dr. P Sivakumar

Assistant Professor.

Specialized in Sociology and Philosophy



Mrs. Anbu Kavitha

Training Officer

Specialized in Sociology of Gender and Family



Mr. Manivasagan R

Assistant Professor

Specialized in Economics



Ms. Febna Reheem

Assistant Professor

Specialized in Natural Resource Management and Development

COURSE STRUCTURE

Other Open electives opted by students to enhance their knowledge

- Positive Psychology
- Youth and Peace Building
- Gender, Environment and Livelihood
- Understanding of Indian Constitution
- Understanding Psychology
- Gender and Media
- PLA
- Theatre for Development

THEMATIC SPECIALIZATION

- Labour and Development
- Migration and Development
- Rural Development
- Urbanization
- Health and Development
- Civil Society Institutions and Social Movements

SKILL COURSES (Research, Policy

Analysis, Program Management)

- Research Methodology
- Budgetary Analysis
- PRA
- Laws, Policies and Institutions
- Public Policies
- Project Planning and Program Management
- Monitoring And Evaluation

PERSPECTIVE BUILDING COURSES

(Due integration and synthesis of different disciplines of Social Sciences)

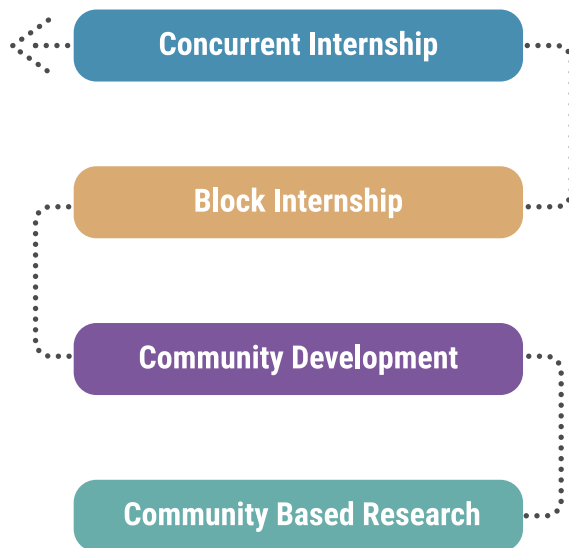
- Sociology of Development
- Political Economy of Development
- Ethics and Development
- Social Inclusion in Development
- Human Rights Discourses
- Environment and Sustainable Development
- Human Development

DISSERTATION

- Field Praxis
- Workshop
- Skill Enhancement

FIELD PRACTICUM

The department offers various ways to ensure that the theoretical understanding is properly implemented and the learning does happen in the actual context. The students engaged in understanding the real issues faced in the rural context through various field visits in the first year.

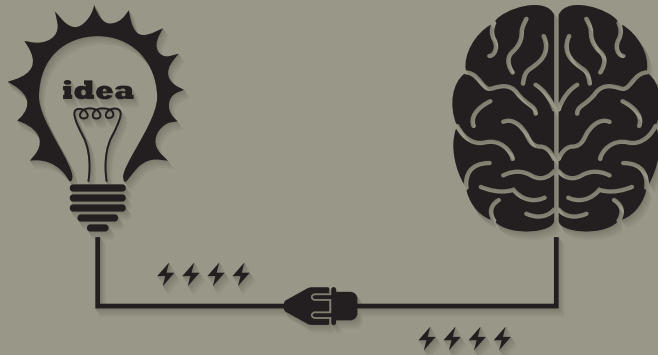


In the first semester of the M.A in DPP program, the students are placed in selected field areas, for practical visualization of working culture of rural areas. Linkages between field observation and thematic concepts learnt in foundation courses and preliminary courses in the I semester are drawn during the field engagement, enabling students to begin conceptualising development as a dynamic praxis, in the Indian context.

In the second semester of the program, the students engage with pertinent themes that further their understanding of Development in India. The concurrent field work during this period is designed to motivate the students to start identifying a theme from II semester curriculum that draws their interest and embark on a self-motivated empirical as well as philosophical engagement with the topic. The objective of the field work is to facilitate the students to build on the research knowledge they acquired during the first semester, provide them a fertile learning opportunity to attempt specialized focus and gain expertise in a selected area of development discourse.

The Block Internship at the end of the II semester is intended to give the students exposure to take up desired engagements within institutions (governmental, non-governmental and academic) in order to enhance their understanding about developmental roles and professionalism within development sector. Along with carrying out the works assigned by the host organizations, the students will also carry out organizational study.

In the III semester, the students undergo concurrent field work with civil society institutions, preparing them to engage with the skills of programme management, impact assessment, evaluation and budgeting.



ADDING NUANCES

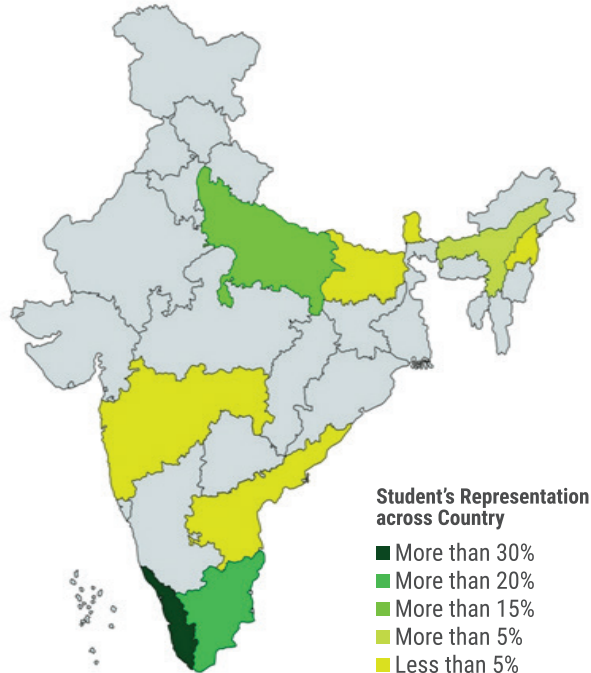


A unique aspect of education at Department of Development studies, RGNIYD is our continued focus on learning outside the classroom. We truly believe that one can be a good Development Practitioner through the interaction with eminent personalities and organizations. These interactions, workshops, training, seminars etc. are encouraged to enrich and complement the curriculum. This includes:

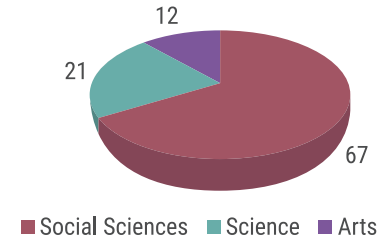
Trainings & Workshops	Seminars	Interactions	International Youth Exchange Programmes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RURAL EXPRESS: Workshop on New Directions in Development Approach, by Azim Premji University • Workshop on Academic Writing in Social Sciences • Life Skill Training, Department of Life Skill Training RGNIYD • Forced Migration, in Loyola College Collaboration with UNHCR • PLA Workshop by PRAXIS, Chennai 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th Indian National Youth Science Congress, KIIT Campus, Bhubaneswar • Yuvavarsham 2016, International Youth Summit organised by Kerala Youth Welfare Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aakansha Lecture Series • Nokia Disconnected: A Film Screening followed by a Discussion on Electronic Consumption • Interaction with Saint Gobain • Next Generation Global Leaders Programme: Ship for World Youth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASEAN Young Leaders Summit 2015, Malaysia. • YouwnPura 2016, Srilanka • India - Maldives Friendship Youth Exchange Programme, 2016 Maldives • BRICS Youth Summit 2016, India • Ship for World Youth 29, Japan

BACK GROUND OF THE STUDENTS

Student's Profile



Academic Background of the Students



Thematic Areas of Student's Research



PAST RECRUITERS



MEET THE GRADUATES





Abhilashnath V

- Prior Qualification** : Bachelor of Arts in Sociology.
Area of Interest : Training and Development, Evaluation and Management, Sustainable Development.
Dissertation : Young Migrant Workers in Ply Wood Industries.
Accomplishment :
 - Represented India in ASEAN Young Leaders Summit 2015, Malaysia.
 - Presented papers on Climate Change and Migration in two reputed universities.**Languages Known** : Malayalam, English, Hindi and Tamil.
Work Experience and Internship:



Alice Datta Choudhuri

- Prior Qualification** : BA, B.Ed.
Area of Interest : Policy and Practice in Agriculture and Rural terms, Law and Education.
Dissertation : Case Study on Successful Model of Organic Farming in Sikkim.
Accomplishment :
 - School Representative, Department of Development Studies.
 - Presented paper on Food Security in 7th Youth Science Congress.**Languages Known** : English, Hindi, Nepali, Bengali, Assamese and Odiya.
Work Experience and Internship : PAPN, Himachal Pradesh,





Anand Prakash

Prior Qualification : Bachelor's in Globalization and Development Studies.

Area of Interest : Education, Migration, Globalisation.

Dissertation : A Study to Assess the Attitude of Public School Teachers towards Inclusive Education in Regular Classrooms in Allahabad.

Accomplishment :

- Participant on Forced Migration Workshop in Collaboration with UNHCR.
- Presented papers on "Gender, Human Rights, SHGs, Refugees, Good Governance" in two reputed universities.

Languages Known : English, Hindi and Bhojpuri.

Work Experience and Internship :

CEE

Centre for Environment Education



HAND IN HAND
INTERNATIONAL



Ashitha G Pavithran

Prior Qualification : BSc.Ed.

Area of Interest : Education, Gender, Environment, Migration, Health and Rural Development.

Dissertation : The Status of Primary Education in Tamil Nadu, with Special Reference to Sriperumbudur Taluk, Kancheepuram District.

Accomplishment :

- Indian Delegate, YouwnPura 2016, Srilanka.
- Presented papers on "Climate Change, Inter Religious Marriages" in two reputed universities.
- Co-coordinator, Department Placement Cell.

Languages Known : Malayalam, English, Hindi and Tamil.

Work Experience and Internship :

CEE

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Birdao Narzary

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

Area of Interest : Tribal welfare, Education.

Dissertation : Functioning of Primary School in Conflict Affected Tribal Areas: A Case Study of Sidli District.

Accomplishment : Participated in Inter-Zone Volley Ball match.

Languages Known : Assamese, Bodo, Hindi, English, Nagameese, Bengali.

Work Experience and Internship:

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DEVELOPMENT**
THE YOUTH-LED DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Cividep India
Workers' Rights &
Corporate Accountability



G Deepika

Prior Qualification : BSc Mathematics.

Area of Interest : Rights based, Labour, Education and Rural Development.

Dissertation : Social Capital and Unorganised sector: A Study among Plantation Workers, Munnar, Kerala.

Accomplishment :

- Ist and IInd Semester class topper.
- Joint Secretary, Prakriti Nature Club RGNIYD.

Languages Known : Tamil, English and Hindi.

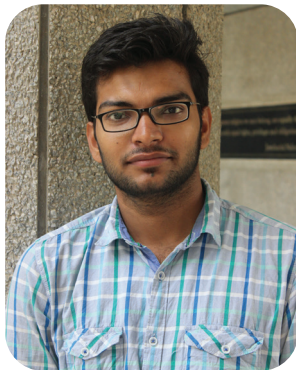
Work Experience and Internship :

Cividep India
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Corporate Accountability



Don Richardson

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Business Administration.
Area of Interest : Education.
Dissertation : Effectiveness of ABL in CCLC, Chemenchery.
Accomplishment : Indian Delegate, BRICS Youth Summit 2016, India.
Languages Known : Hindi, English, Tamil, Punjabi and Bhojpuri.
Work Experience and Internship:



Rahul Singh

Prior Qualification : Bachelor's in Globalization and Development Studies.
Area of Interest : Gender, Environment and Labour related issues.
Dissertation : EEnvironment Impact Assessment on Tannery workers, Ambur.
Accomplishment :

- Academic Council Member (2016).
- General Secretary (Student Union 2015-16).
- Indian Delegate, Ship for the World Youth 2017 programme.

Languages Known : English, Hindi and Bhojpuri.
Work Experience and Internship :





Ramseena C S

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Arts in Economics

Area of Interest : Environment and Sustainable Development, Water Resource Management, Gender and Sustainable Agriculture Practices.

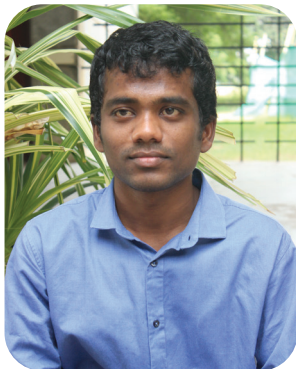
Dissertation : Water Resource Management: A Case Study of Manufacturing Industries in Peri-Urban Regions of Sriperumbudur.

Accomplishment :

- Base line surveyor, in the project "Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience in Peri-urban Chennai in the study area of Sriperumbudur: Sustainable Resources Management, Livelihoods and Governance "by IGCS- IIT Madras
- Indian Delegate, India-Maldives Friendship Youth Exchange Programme, 2016 Maldives
- President, Prakriti Nature Club, RGNIID.

Languages Known : Malayalam, English, Tamil

Work Experience and Internship:



A Ranjith Kumar

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Electronics and Communication Engineering.

Area of Interest : Sustainable Development, Education, Policy Analysis.

Dissertation : Study on Environment Awareness among School Children.

Accomplishment : Base line Surveyor, in the project "Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience in Peri-urban Chennai in the study area of Sriperumbudur: Sustainable Resources Management, Livelihoods and Governance" by IGCS- IIT Madras.

Languages Known : English, Tamil.

Work Experience and Internship :

CEE

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Ravindra Surve

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Commerce.

Area of Interest : Child Education, Rural Development, Solid Waste Management.

Dissertation : A Study on School Dropout at Secondary Level in Patan Block.

Accomplishment : • Participated in two Inter Zone Basket Ball tournaments.
• Class Representative, II Year Development Policy and Practice.

Languages Known : English, Hindi, Marathi.

Work Experience and Internship: Gyan Prakash Foundation, Pune.



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P Selvarathinam

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Arts in History.

Area of Interest : Community Development, Agriculture, Livelihood.

Dissertation : Impact Assessment on primary Agriculture Cooperative Society in Cuddalur District.

Accomplishment : Chairperson of RGNIYD (Student Union 2015-16).

Languages Known : Tamil, English and Hindi.

Work Experience and Internship :





Shekhar Suman

Prior Qualification : Bachelor of Business Administration.

Area of Interest : Water Resource Management, Environment Conservation, Livelihood Sustainable Agricultural Development.

Dissertation : A Study on the Livelihood Strategies Adopted by Settled Narikuravars.

Accomplishment :

- Participated in Forced Migration Study in Collaboration with UNHCR.
- Student Coordinator, National service Scheme.
- Participated in Inter university Volleyball match.

Languages Known : Hindi, English and Maithili.

Work Experience and Internship :



Environmental Sanitation Institute
Safai Vidyalaya



MSSRF
Science for Sustainable Development



Vikho Zoto Kulnu

Prior Qualification : BA English.

Area of Interest : Agriculture, Education.

Dissertation : Economic Impact of Organic Farming in Nagaland.

Accomplishment : Participated in various inter Zone level sports activity for RGNIYD.

Languages Known : Hindi, English, Nagameese, Tenydie, Assameese.

Work Experience and Internship :



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ALUMNI TALK





Apart from the rigorous academics, RGNIYD has contributed to my holistic development through various filed works, seminars and extra-curricular activities. We had several opportunities to meet and interact with professionals and academicians in development field and this has contributed to our understandings in the field of policy and implementation to great extent. The friendly atmosphere between faculties and students made platform for developing our traits and improving our personality. Faculties always promoted when students come up with new ideas and they in fact guided us in coordinating several.

Deric T Jose (2014-16 Batch)

RGNIYD, the institute of National importance had inspired me to take up in a different and unique track in the field of studies .This course made me to understand the realistic world of lives by experiencing the challenges of the vulnerable people during the field exposures, analysing and developing measures to mitigating their struggles which have also created a burning desire to help and develop my own community back at home. This course has let me understand the various theories and practices of development both in the rural and urban sections.

Jeanchui Kamei (2014-16 Batch)

RGNIYD is a vibrant place which we can explore many, for both studies and for personality development. Especially, Development Practice course was so interesting and I gained a lot of experiences about the perspectives and issues of development. Even teachers were also so approachable and always support us for any academic as well as extracurricular activities. Course structure and assessment pattern was really appreciable.

Mohammed Irfan (2013-15 Batch)



DEVELOPMENT POLICY AND PRACTICE 2015-2017 BATCH



Placement Committee Members

Abhilashnath V (Student Coordinator)
Ashitha G Pavithran (Student Co-Coordinator)
Alice Datta Choudhuri
A Ranjith Kumar
Silpa

Rajesh M
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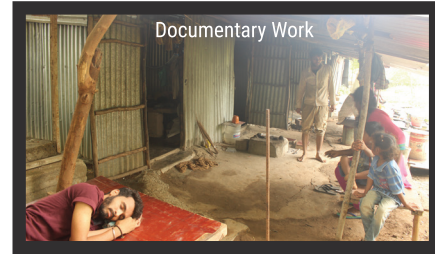
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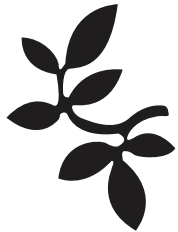


Rural Express Workshop



Documentary Work

Moments Captured





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