

Chapter One: Rural Development

1. Definition of Rural Development
2. Rural development as policy and as process
3. The dimensions of rural development
4. Why an interest in rural development?
5. Lipton's statement of 'urban bias'
6. Integrated Rural Development – Rationale and methods
7. Defining and delivering basic needs

Chapter Two: Concepts of Regional Development

- 1.1 The Concepts of Region, Regionalization and Development
- 1.2. The Concept of Development
- 1.3. The Nature and Objectives of Regional Studies
- 1.4. The Growing Concern with Regional Development Issues

1.5. How Regions Grow and Develop?

1.6. Causes of Regional Growth and Development

Chapter Three: Theories of Regional Economic Growth & Development

1. Introduction on Paradigms, schools of thought and theoretical bases of regional development
2. Theories of Regional Growth & Development
3. **Contemporary Approaches & Perspectives on Regional Development**

Unit Four: Policies and Strategies of Regional Development

Section One: An Over View Of Regional Development Policy

- 1.1 Changing Paradigms of Regional Development Policy
- 1.2 Objectives of Regional Development Policies
- 1.3 How National Policy Help Regional Development: Regional Objectives in a National Setting
- 1.4 Regional Pathology: The Emergence of "Problem Areas"
- 1.5 Comparison of Characteristics of Problem Areas
- 1.6 Regional Structure and Economic Health

1.7 Regional Development Strategies

1.8 The Role of Growth Centers

Unit Five: Local and Regional Development Planning

1. Definition of Basic concepts
2. Conditions, Strategies or policies of successful planning
3. Arguments for and Against Planning
4. Planning Models
5. Classification of plans

Assessment modalities

1. Test-----15%
2. Group assignment-----20%
3. Presentation-----10%
4. Class attendance and participation-----5%
5. Final exam-----50%