Elective Course - 405

SOCIOLOGY OF DISASTERS MGT. AND PLANNING

Course Outline :

Unit - 1

Concepts, definitions and Nature of disasters.

Causes and Types of Disasters : Famines, floods, earthqwuakes,

epidemics, wars, industrial, disasters, nuclear disastes. Communal

Clashes, Manumade & naturality.

Unit - 2

The effects and aftermath of disasters : victims and survivors

Unit - 3

The Welfare state and Disasters : the role of the state in

preventing, apprehending and managing disasters.

Unit - 4

Disasters and civil Society : meaning of Disasters, the role of

Voluntary organisations, political organisations, citizens associations

internatilnal bodies.

Unit - 5

Steps in disaster management, Rescue, Relief, Reconstruction,

Rehabilitation, Reconsitiation.

Recommended Books :

- Veena Das and Ashis Nandy : "Violence, Victimhood and the Language of Silence', Contribution to Indian sociology, Also Ashish Nandy, "Science, Authoritarianism and culture : on the Scope and Limits of Iso lation Outside the Clinic", in Traditions, Turanny and Utopias : Essays in the Politics fo Awareness (New Delhi : Oxford University press, 1987), pp. 95-126.
- Dhirendra Sharma, India's Nuclear Estate (New Delhi : Lancers, 1983)
- P. H. Haksar et. al. : A statement of Scientific Temper, Bombay Nehru Centre, 1981.
- See a brief discussion of this in Nandy : Science, Aurhoritarianism and Culture.
- Praful, Bidwai : Atomic Power on the Run, The Timmes of India, 13 -15 Octover, 1986.
- Dhirendra Sharma (ed.) : The Indian Atom : Power and Proliferation (New Delhi : Philosophy and Social Action, 1986)
- Sharma. India's Nuclear Estate
- Ashis Nandy : The Bomb, The Illustrated Weekly of India, 4 August 1986.
- Jatinder K. Bajaj : The Bhopal Targe dy : The Responsibility of the Scientific Community.'
- Sunil Sahasrabudhey, Bhopal : Science Must Share the Blane, PPST Bulletin, 1985, 5, pp. 6-14, 25-9.
- Shiv Visvanathan Bhopal : The Imagination of a Disaster, Alternatives, 1986, II, pp. 147-65.
- Sen Amritya (1981) Poverty and Famines New Delhi : OUP