

Participatory Rural Appraisal - Theories and Applications

Detail Syllabus (lecture-wise breakup)

Module 1: Concept, Principles and Philosophy of PRA

- Meaning and Definition (1 class X 1hr)
- Principles of PRA (2 classes X 1hr)
- Philosophy behind PRA (1 class X 1hr)

Module 2: Evolution of PRA

- Origin of PRA (1 class X 1hr)
- Sources of PRA (Activist Participatory Research, Agro-Ecosystem Analysis, Applied Anthropology, Field Research on Farming Systems, Rapid Rural Appraisal) (3 classes X 1hr)
- Comparison between PRA and Rapid Rural Appraisal (RRA) (1 class X 1hr)

Module 3: Scope and Dimensions of PRA (1 class X 1hr)

Module 4: Models, Paradigms and Theories Related to PRA (6 classes X 1hr)

Module 5: Ethics and PRA (1 classes X 1hr)

Module 6: Validity and Reliability issues in PRA (1 class X 1hr)

Module 7: Important Tools for PRA

- Resource Mapping, Social Mapping, Timelines, Venn diagram, Transect Walk, Seasonal diagram, Matrix Scoring/ Ranking, Daily Schedule, Wealth and wellbeing Ranking, Pairwise Ranking, Flow Diagrams, Mobility Map, Force Field Analysis, SWOT Analysis, Pie Diagram, Body Mapping, Interviewing and dialogue (10 classes X 1 hr)
- Relevance of PRA Tools to Local Planning (1 class X 1hr)

Module 8: Members of PRA Team: Roles and Responsibilities (1 class X 1hr)

Module 9: Application of PRA (3 classes X 1hr)

Module 10: Limitations and Challenges in PRA (1 class X 1hr)

Module 11: Case Studies Related to PRA (one each from India, South Asia, Africa and one from the Global North) (4 classes X 1hr)