

As per NEP 2020

University of Mumbai



Syllabus for Co- Curricular (CC)

Vertical - 6

Board of Studies in Extension Work	
UG Second Year Program – Co- Curricular Course	
Semester	IV
Title of Paper	Extension Work
Credits	2
From the Academic Year	2025-26

Introduction

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is a comprehensive framework introduced by the Government of India to revamp the country's education system. It has replaced the

previous National Policy on Education, which has aim to ensure universal access to quality education from preschool to higher education, including vocational education. NEP 2020 emphasizes a more holistic, multidisciplinary, and flexible curriculum which lay emphasis on conceptual understanding rather than rote learning allowing students to choose subjects across disciplines without strict boundaries.

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 of India addresses the role of higher education institutions in fostering community engagement and extension work. It highlights the social responsibility of higher education institutions towards their communities. It encourages institutions to engage with local communities, address societal challenges, and contribute to sustainable development. The policy promotes the implementation of outreach programs by higher education institutions to disseminate knowledge, provide services, and support community development. These programs may include literacy campaigns, career development programs, social issues awareness programs, health and hygiene initiatives, skill development workshops, and technology-oriented activities. The policy suggests integrating extension work into the curriculum of higher education programs. This allows learners to gain practical experience, develop leadership skills, and contribute to community development while pursuing their studies. It recognizes incentives to encourage active engagement in community service and extension activities.

Overall, NEP 2020 recognizes the significant role of higher education institutions in promoting community engagement, social responsibility, and sustainable development through extension work. By integrating extension activities into their mission and operations, institutions can contribute to building inclusive and resilient societies.

Extension work in the context of education refers to the activities and programs conducted by educational institutions to engage with communities, address societal needs, and promote social development.

Aim of Extension Work under NEP:

- Extension work aims to identify and address the specific needs and challenges faced by communities. NEP 2020 encourages higher education institutions to engage with local communities and contribute to their development by offering programs and services that

address social needs, such as literacy programs, health awareness campaigns, and vocational training.

- Extension work aims to empower communities by providing them with the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to address their own requirements and improve their quality of life.

Key objectives of Extension Work under NEP:

- To ensure equal access to quality education and educational opportunities to aspirants. ·
To support the government initiatives in achieving universal foundational literacy and numeracy as per sustainable development program.
- To organize remedial programs to address the learning breaches among the youth and provide unending education opportunities.
- To offer more holistic, multidisciplinary, and flexible curricular activities with an emphasis on conceptual understanding and personality development.
- To offer a wide range of activities & promote critical thinking, creativity, and innovation.
- To provide aspirants with multiple pathways for skill development and employment. ·
To implement outreach programs to disseminate knowledge, provide services, and support community development.

Extension Work Activities:

Extension Work activities introduced by DLLE are a crucial aspect of the educational environment, offering multifaceted benefits that extend beyond academic learning. Many extension activities focus on social issues, sustainability, and environmental conservation. These activities educate the communities on sustainable practices which promote inclusivity and social justice. These activities focus especially on training women in various skills, including entrepreneurship and digital literacy through various vocational skill-oriented projects offered by the department. These activities have significantly contributed to skill development among community members, leading to improved employment opportunities and personality development. Learners participate in extension work activities as part of their curriculum, to gain practical experience and to contribute to community development. Thus, engaging in extension work fosters a sense of social responsibility and civic engagement among the learners and facilitators.

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Given below are the activities / programs to be conducted by the colleges as a part of Extension Work as enlisted topics. The learner will focus on enlisted topics and participate in following activities during Semester IV in this academic year.

ACTIVITIES FOR SEMESTER IV = 2 Credits

Sr. No.	Unit	No. of Lectures
1.	<p><u>Organising & Participation in Training Session</u></p> <p>Every learner should attend the orientation / training session organised by their college for orientation of annual extension work program. Attendance is compulsory. In this session the learners will be oriented about the activities to be conducted during the semester followed by question-and-answer session. The learner must read resource material and guideline carefully and plan his / her activities for the semester during academic year.</p>	2 Lectures
2.	<p><u>Participation in Project /Activities</u> (as given below)</p> <p>In this session learners will be oriented about any 5 Topics selected by college (preferably which are not taken in Semester 1 2, and 3) for awareness under Extension Work. The college may select more than 5 topics if the enrolment of learners is more than 200. The learners will participate in activities based on these topics selected by college.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Election Literacy 2. Nasha Mukti 3. My Career. 4. Physical Education and Yoga. 5. Discipline and Civic Sense. 6. Sustainable Health Practices & Precautions. 7. Care for Senior Citizens 8. Palliative Care for patients. 9. Child Care 10. Stress Management 11. Positive Thinking. 	22 Lectures including guidance for practice session, preparations and actual conduct of program.

12. Communal Harmony
13. Book Reading Practices
14. Journalism and Media
15. Sustainable Natural Resources
16. Career Opportunities in NEP 2020
17. Indian Scientists and Their Contributions
18. Women Entrepreneurs & Leadership in India
19. Digital India and Technological Innovations
20. Stop Food Waste

Learners will be oriented and motivated to participate in minimum four activities given below based on above topics:

1. Seminar /conferences, discussion sessions, debate, rallies
2. Competitions (essay/creative writing, elocution, poster/ video/ rangoli making etc. – Minimum 2 competitions)
3. Extension Work group activities of other groups in the college.
4. Prepare your PPT, design your posters / charts.
5. Survey / short term academic courses / innovative programs.
6. Field visit / field work / case studies / developing innovative engineering models / projects
7. Participation in Street Plays
8. Event / hospitality / human resource management program /assignment
9. Novel formulation development (pharmacy),
10. Self-medication survey (pharmacy),

Learners are required to prepare short videos (duration 3-4 minutes) of the activity where the college will organize such competition.

The learners will be oriented about various career development opportunities in University of Mumbai, and schemes of student development by the Government.

Learners will be oriented and given an opportunity

for: - Script writing / Direction for street play.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Composing / Singing (Songs, Powada) - Playing Musical Instrument during the event. - Participation in various college and university level competitions. - Participate in Cultural Performance / Organising Committee for Festival / Programs / Event Management. 	
3	<p><u>Participation Video / Stage Performance / Assignment / Report Writing and submission</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Present your report / video during the college program. - All learners enrolled in Extension Work can make activity video or stage performance (3-4 minutes duration) creating awareness about any social issues / topics enlisted here followed by assignment / report writing as per format. - <p>College will organise a program in the hall / classroom for all learners and give them an opportunity to present their assignment / report with PPT / video presentation followed by question answer session / test / interview by the college.</p>	6 Lectures including guidance for practice session, preparations and actual conduct of program.

Evaluation Pattern

Internal Assessment

Sr. No.	Assessment Criteria	Maximum Marks
1	Attendance, punctuality, completion of hours, participation in programs, presentations and feedback.	10
2	Proficiency in required skill sets, overall performance, submission of written report / assignments and expected development.	10
	Total	20 Marks

External Assessment

(Based on Extension Work guidelines and five enlisted topics chosen by the college.) Question Paper Pattern

Time: 1.00 Hours Total Marks 30 Instructions: 1. All questions are compulsory.

2. Figures to the right indicate maximum marks.

Q.1. Rewrite the following statement by choosing correct alternative given below. - 06 Marks (6 statements. One mark each)

Q.2. Write short Notes On (Any Two out of Four) - 06 Marks

Q.3. Answer the following questions. (Any Three out of Five) - 18 Marks

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