

ESS516 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

39 hrs.

Course Outcomes:

CO1 Discuss the importance of environmental impact assessment in industrialization and other environmental activities.

CO2 Describe the meaning of sustainable development.

CO3 Learn the methodology of environmental audit in India.

CO4 Learn types of impacts on environment.

CO5 Study the method of Environmental Impact Assessment which influence employability in environmental organizations.

UNIT I (13 hours)

Environmental Impact Assessment - Definition, aim, objectives, components and stages of EIA, methods and significance of impact assessment with case studies - Surveillance and monitoring, environmental conflicts. Preparation of impacts: Negative and positive impacts, primary and secondary impacts; impacts on physical, social and cultural aspects.

UNIT II (13 hours)

Sustainable development, unavoidable impacts, alternative strategies- 'no-go' alternative. Integrated approach for environmental quality. Prediction of changes in the specific environmental components (air, water, noise, cultural, flora and fauna, socio-economic) due to projects, policies and planning, project implementation, national and international agencies involved in impact assessment studies.

UNIT III (13 hours)

Need for environmental impact assessment in industrialization, agricultural activities, urbanization, energy utilization-over exploitation. Environmental auditing - Definition, objectives, types, components, methodology, benefits, environmental audit in India. Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

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