



**SAVITRIBAI PHULE PUNE UNIVERSITY**

**TYBA Anthropology**

**SYLLABUS**

**Semester V**

**Based on National Education Policy 2020**

**Effective from June 2025**

## **Semester – V**

### **AN-391-MN-T: Social change and social reforms**

**Minor, Theory, 2 Credit, 30 hours**

#### **Course Description**

Social Change and Social Reforms is an important area in Anthropology and Social Sciences that examines transformations in social structure, institutions, values, and cultural practices over time. Anthropology studies social change through processes such as modernization, westernization, globalization, industrialization, urbanization, and social movements. The course also focuses on educational reformers, social reform movements, political movements, and protest movements that shaped Indian society. It enables students to understand how individuals, communities, and collective movements contribute to social transformation and social justice.

#### **Objectives of the Course**

1. Introduce students to the concept, nature, and theories of social change from an anthropological perspective.
2. Develop understanding of the contributions of educational and social reformers in India.
3. Examine major social reform movements and their impact on Indian society.
4. Understand political movements and protest movements as agents of social change.
5. Encourage critical understanding of contemporary social issues and reform processes.

#### **Syllabus**

##### **Unit I: Social Change in Anthropology**

- Meaning, Nature and Characteristics of Social Change
- Difference between Evolution, Progress, Development and Change
- Anthropological Approaches to Social Change
  - Factors of Social Change: Cultural Factors, Technological Factors, Economic Factors, Demographic Factors
  - Processes of Social Change: Sanskritization, Westernization, Modernization, Urbanization, Globalization
- Social Mobility and Cultural Change

## Unit II: Educational Reformers and Social Reform Movements

### Social Reform Movements

- Brahmo Samaj, Arya Samaj, Prarthana Samaj, Satyashodhak Samaj, Dalit Movement, Women's Reform Movements, Educational Reforms, Women's education, Reforms and processes for social justice

### Political Movements and Identity Movements

- Political Movements as Agents of Social Change
- Peasant Movements in India, Tribal Movements in India,
- Dalit Movements and Assertion of Identity, Backward Class Movements
- Environmental Movements: Chipko Movement, Narmada Bachao Andolan
- Role of Media and Civil Society in Political Mobilization

### Suggested Books/Reading Material:

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