

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

**Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of
Youth Development
Sriperumbudur**



VISION



- TO STRIVE FOR CREATING AN EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE WORLD BY ACADEMICALLY FACILITATING STUDENTS AND RESEARCHERS IN EQUIPPING AND DEVELOPING A PERSPECTIVE WITH A JUDICIOUS BLEND OF PRACTICE AND THEORY IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES.
- PROVIDE TRAINING OF CUTTING EDGE METHODOLOGIES AND TOOLS IN THE DEVELOPMENT SECTOR
- FOCUS ON IMPARTING DEVELOPMENTAL PRAXIS THAT ABIDES BY THE PRINCIPLES OF SUSTAINABILITY.

STRATEGY

Exploring new models and scales of partnerships for development

- Global-local partnerships
- Public-private-people models
- Engagement of local self government institutions

Responding to Demographic Transitions

- Increasing youth population
- Rapid urbanization
- Increased migration
- Youth and NEET

Responding to Gender Dimensions and Challenges

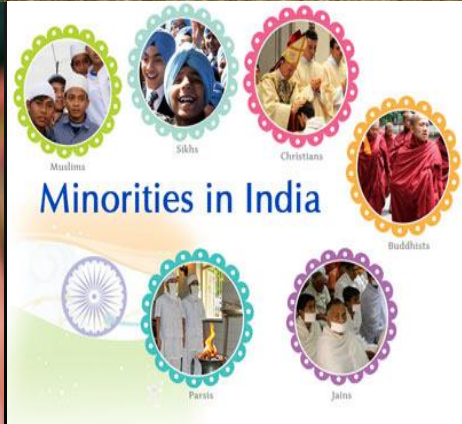
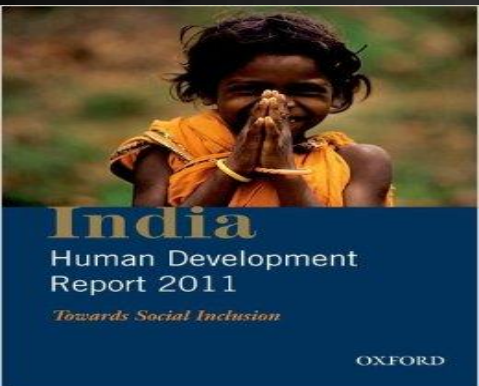
SDG No. 5

- Undertaking studies, programmes and field based research on gender inequalities hindering development in India

APPROACH

Two Pronged Approach in Development Studies

- The Department wishes to Conceptualize inclusive models of development that problematizes the structural inequities in Indian context (religion, caste, gender, geographic dynamics)
- A Systemic, International perspective: The department seeks to place the development praxis in its historical and politico-economic context, facilitating critical debates on developmental paradigms.



- The Department of Development Studies was established in the year 2013
- Ever since seven batches of Master's Degree Students passed out
- Current Programmes offered by the Department:
 - M.A. Development Studies
 - Ph.D. Development Studies

FACULTY MEMBERS



Dr. P. Sahoo
(On EoL)



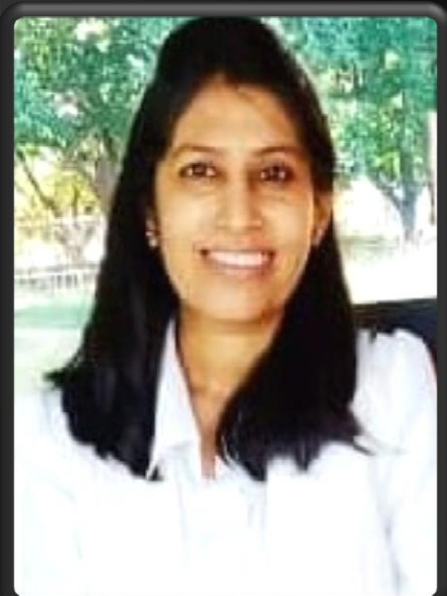
Dr. P. Sivakumar
(HOD)



Dr. Niyathi R. Krishna



Ms. Keerat Pal Kaur



Ms. Rimpi Arora

SYLLABUS OF M.A. DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

SEMESTER 1

- Introduction to Development Studies
- Gender and Development
- Political Economy of Indian Development
- Human Development: Approaches and Applications
- Human Rights Discourse
- Sociology of Development
- Models of Development
- Research Methodology

SEMESTER 2

- Development Theories
- Poverty in India: Trends and Issues
- Social Exclusion in India
- Labour and Development
- Livelihoods and Development
- Public Policies
- Rural Development in India
- Urbanization and Development

SEMESTER 3

- Environment and Sustainable Development
- Development Communication
- Migration and Development / Health and Development
- Monitoring and Evaluation of Development Projects
- Soft Core
- Field Practicum

SEMESTER 4

- Internship
- Dissertation

PARTNERSHIPS

The Department is guided by the principle that strengthening strategic partnerships is key to make collective impacts for youth development.

The Department collaborates with research and academic institutions, industries, Government ministries and agencies, multilateral organisations, non-government organisations (NGOs).



Online Discourse on Youth Perspectives on Development



Commonwealth Youth Work Qualifications Consortium



National Seminar on Youth Employment in India: Trends, Challenges and Policy Responses



International Seminar on 'Agriculture and Rural India after Economic Reforms'



Research Methodology Workshop for PhD Students of Social Sciences



Play It Forward: Training Manual on Sustainable Development Goals

PARTNERSHIPS



International Conference on
Achieving Youth Specific SDGs: Key
Challenges and Policy Responses



Publication of Status Papers with
UNICEF



Policy Briefs on Adolescents in
Tamil Nadu Policy Perspectives
with UNICEF



Mapping the Needs and
Aspirations of Dedicated Truck
Drivers in their Manufacturing
Ecosystem



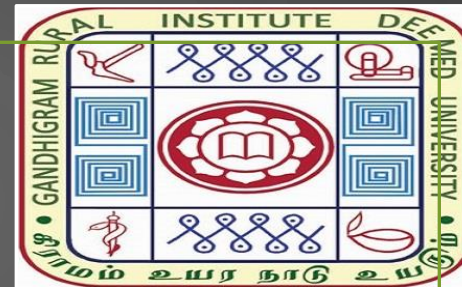
Member of Technical Working
Group, United Nations
Volunteers (UNV)



PRADAN



PRAVAH



GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE



CENTRE FOR LIFE SKILLS LEARNING



JANWANI



EKTA PARISHAD



MENTOR TOGETHER



TISS



AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY DELHI

ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT

RESEARCH, CONSULTANCY AND EXTENSION

- **STATUS PAPERS ON COVID-19 (UNICEF) ON THE FOLLOWING FIVE THEMATIC AREAS**

- *Impact of COVID-19 on Internal Migrants In India*
- *Livelihoods of Women in the Informal Sector during the Pandemic: Challenges and Responses;*
- *Post Covid-19 Lockdown Scenario of Youth Unemployment in India*
- *Youth in Tamil Nadu : A Review of Education and Employment Status and Post-Pandemic Challenges*
- *Health of Children in India: A Status Paper*

RESEARCH, CONSULTANCY AND EXTENSION

- **POLICY BRIEFS ON 'ADOLESCENTS IN TAMIL NADU: POLICY PERSPECTIVES' (UNICEF) ON THE FOLLOWING SIX THEMATIC AREAS**

- *Policy Advocacy*
- *Education*
- *Ending Child Marriage*
- *Child Protection*
- *Health*
- *Nutrition*

- **PUBLICATIONS OF FACULTY MEMBERS**

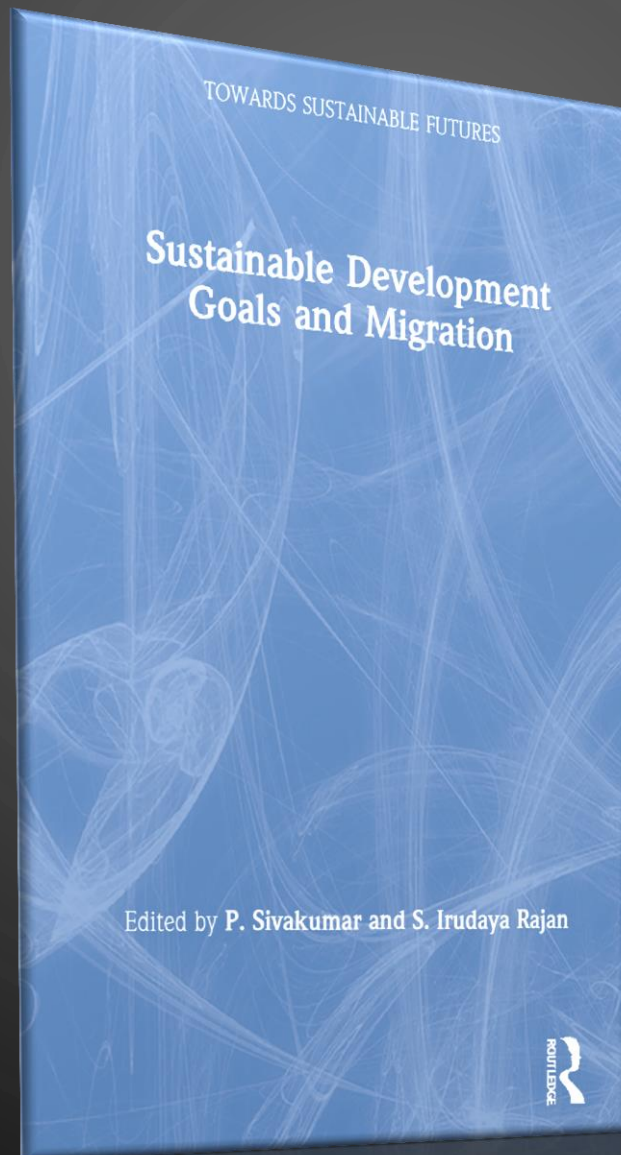
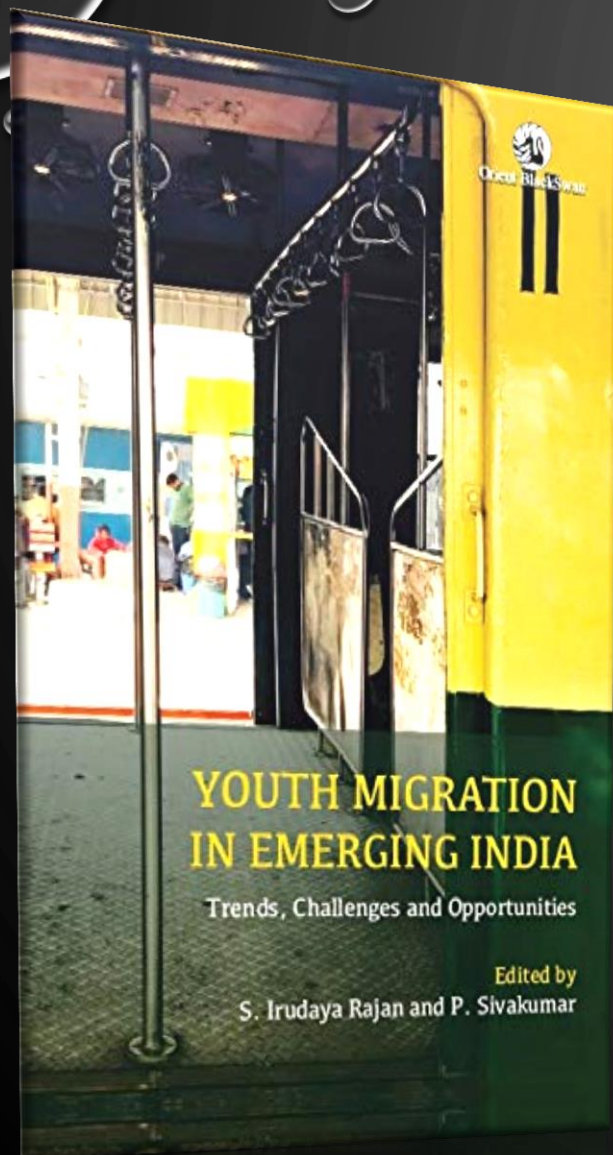
- BOOKS (3); CHAPTER IN BOOKS (10); JOURNALS (29); POLICY BRIEFS (6); OUTCOME REPORTS (2); TRAINING MANUALS (3)

- **INVITED LECTURES OF FACULTY MEMBERS OUTSIDE RGNIYD: 42**

- **ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS**

- *Combating COVID19 in the Forefront: Gendered Experiences of Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) in Kerala (IAWS)*

- *The Tripartite Work at Home: Engendering the COVID-19 Lockdown in Kerala (RGNIYD)*

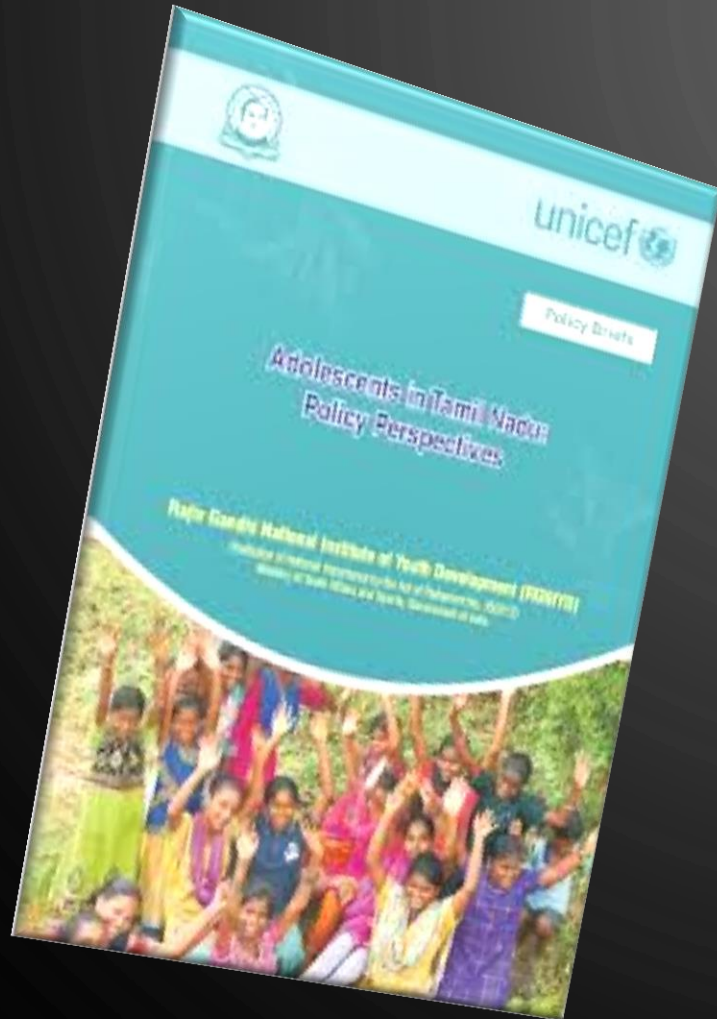


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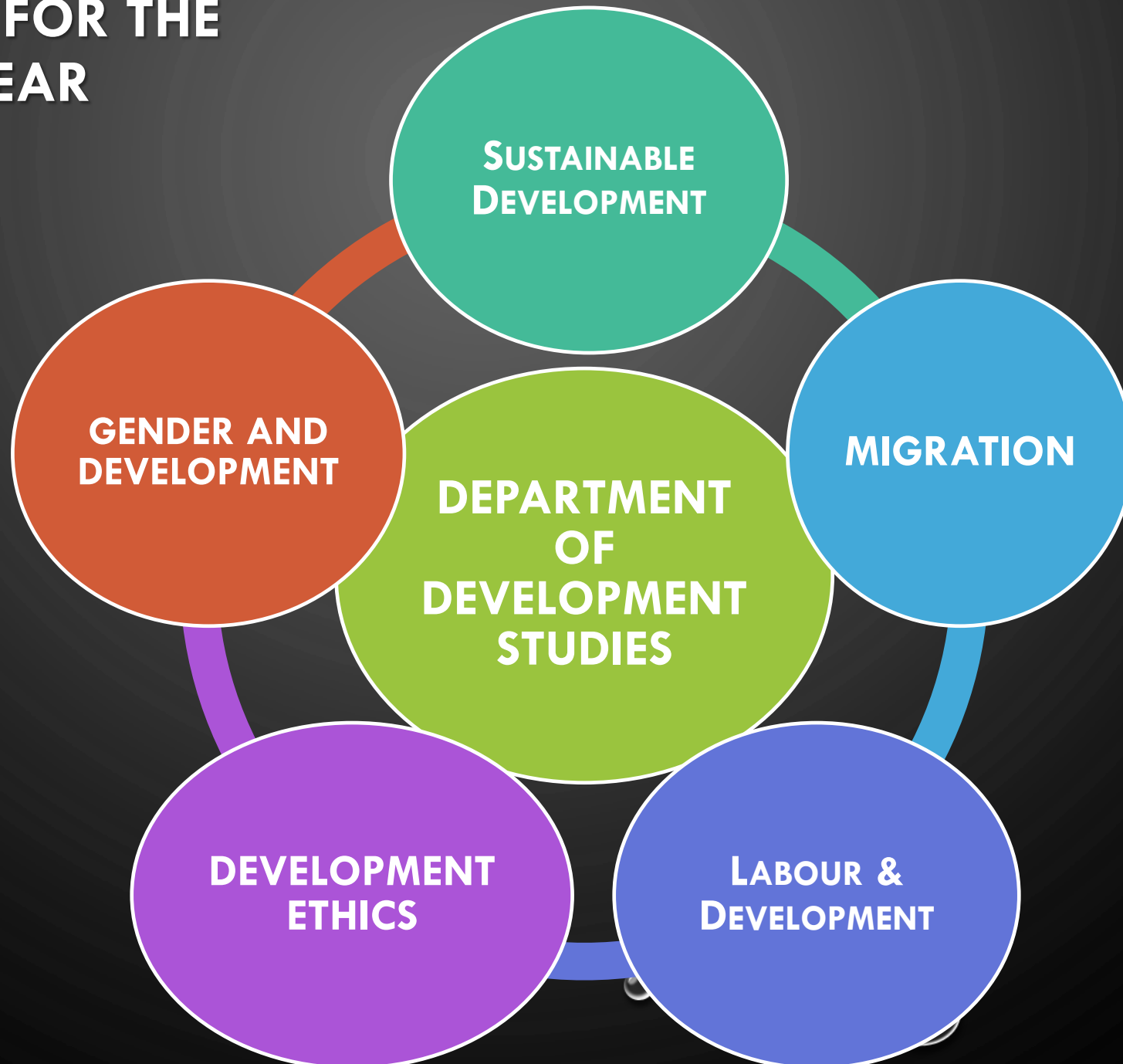
REPORTS & PUBLICATIONS



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FOCUS AREAS FOR THE NEXT 5 YEAR



INDUSTRY ACADEMY COLLABORATIONS



➤ **MOU WITH SAINT GOBAIN (2016)**

- RGNIYD exchanged an MOU with Saint-Gobain India private limited (SGIPL) at Rashtrapati Bhavan during 2016 and so far one research programme has been completed for SGIPL
- The next research programme will be focussing on their Rajasthan Plant (Under CSR Funding)

➤ **MOU WITH ISRO (2016)**

➤ **LOU WITH COMMONWEALTH YOUTH PROGRAMME, LONDON (2019)**

FUTURE PLAN OF ACTION

- INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA COLLABORATION
- EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES AND MOU WITH LEADING UNIVERSITIES AT GLOBAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL
- UNDERTAKING RESEARCH PROGRAMMES WITH A THRUST ON INTER-DISCIPLINARY AND MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVE
- OFFERING CLUSTER BASED COURSES AND COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMMES WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN THE REGIONAL CENTRE
- OFFERING SPECIALISED MOOC COURSES AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES
- UNDERTAKE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN RESPONSE TO DISRUPTIONS AND SHOCKS

EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES AND MOU WITH LEADING UNIVERSITIES AT GLOBAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL

As highlighted in the National Educational Policy:

- The Department would like to establish linkages and academic dialogues with leading universities and institutions at global and national level
- The inter-institutional exchange of students, researchers and faculty along with collaborative research and teaching activities will expand the scope of the Department and the institute

UNDERTAKING RESEARCH PROGRAMMES WITH A THRUST ON INTER-DISCIPLINARY AND MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVE

The National Educational Policy (2020) underlines that Outstanding research is a co-requisite for outstanding education and development. With this focus, the Department will undertake:

- Research Internship for the students
- Encouraging the students to undertake Dissertation topics with a thrust on Interdisciplinary and Multi-disciplinary perspective as mentioned in the National Education Policy (2020)
- Explore more funded research programmes and collaborative research programmes with other leading universities

OFFERING CLUSTER BASED COURSES AND COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMMES WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS/CENTRES IN THE REGIONAL CENTRE

- The Department Would like to offer clustered courses with the Department of Public Administration
- Also, interdisciplinary workshops/ panel discussions/ certificate programmes with the Department of Public Administration
- Offering Coursework for Ph.D. Scholars in collaboration with Department of Sociology and Depart of Public Administration
- Collaboration with other centres

OFFERING SPECIALISED MOOC COURSES AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES

The Department would like to offer specialised MOOC courses in the following thematic areas:

- **Sustainable Development**
- **Gender and Development**
- Offer training programmes based on Youth-Led Development approach on various thrust areas of the National Youth Policy (Draft 2021)
- Develop Training manuals and carry out training programmes based on identified targets of SDG

UNDERTAKE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN RESPONSE TO DISRUPTIONS AND SHOCKS

- Responding to the disruptions and shocks like COVID19 by undertaking research studies for policy formulation
- Exploring the Opportunities to transform and build the resilience among the students