

MASTER OF RURAL MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (MRMD)

INTRODUCTION

Since independence, India has faced many problems and challenges in the process of attaining sustainable socio-economic development through a series of five year plans. It is a fact that India could tackle some of the major problems, specially of achieving self sufficiency in food production. Indian economy, as we know it today, presents a paradoxical picture of extremes. We see a rosy picture showing rapid strides in space research, nuclear technologists constituting the third largest in the world after the developed countries, augmenting agricultural and industrial production, etc. On the other extreme, there is persistent poverty, hunger, malnutrition, high rates of illiteracy, growing unemployment, etc. People living in rural areas are economically backward and are deprived of basic facilities like health, education, transportation, communication and amenities like safe drinking water, food, clothing, shelter, etc. As a result most of them are prone to poverty, illiteracy ignorance and ill health.

To address the problems of rural area, a professional approach is very important as against the traditional bureaucratic approach. Professionalism must become an integral part of rural development. In this direction Tripura University launched the one year Post Graduate Diploma in Rural Development (PGDRD) in 2004, mainly to equip Rural Development professionals. After 2 years completion of PGDRD, the response from likeminded people was overwhelming. Subsequently PGDRD programme has been upgraded to 2-year Master of Rural Management and Development (MRMD) programme in 2006

It is the time to make Rural Development Professionals to think globally and to act locally so as to ensure their intervention relevant, appropriate, latest, just and right.

SCOPE :

- a. Beside regular course curriculum, the programme offers to undertake research, field work, rural extension work, community development etc. to provide the students hands on experiences.
- b. After completion of the course, student may get opportunities in different capacities in :
Government Department/Institution like Rural Development, Panchayats, Health, Education.
Research / Training Organisations, Non Government Organisation (International, National and state level) **Development Consultancy farms, Funding Agencies, Corporate sectors under corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR).**
- c. They can start their own organisation

Our ex-students are working with DRDA, Department of Panchayat, Department of Health & Family Welfare of Govt. of Tripura, CAPART, Govt. of India, Tripura JBIC project, Alfa Foundation (CSR initiative of ICFAI University) and other renowned NGOs in and out side Tripura.

DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME :

This is a two years programme to be divided into four semesters.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION :

- a. Bachelor Degree holders (TDC from any recognized University with a minimum 45 percent marks in aggregate in BA / B Sc / B Com. (General Course), or
- b. TDC (H) students with 40 percent marks in any Honours Subject, or
- c. 40 percent marks for Post Graduate Degree holders, or
- d. 50 percent marks in aggregate in Engineering or any Professional Course.

A relaxation of 5 percent marks is allowed for SC, ST, OBC and PH Candidates.

In-service candidates sponsored by different Government Departments or registered NGOs shall also be eligible for admission against seats reserved for in service candidates. However, they must satisfy the above mentioned eligibility criteria.

NUMBER OF SEATS :

40 (Forty) out of which five seats shall be reserved for in-service candidates. If suitable in-service candidates are not available, such seats shall be treated as unreserved. Reservation for SC/ST/OBC candidates in respect of admission shall be made as per Central Government norms.

PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

The candidates will get the Prospectus-cum-Application form for admission from the Office of the Directorate of Professional Studies, Tripura University, Suryamaninagar 799 130. The form may also be obtained from City Centre, Tripura University. The form may be downloaded from the University website: www.tripurauniversity.in.

The filled in application must be sent/submitted at the following address by post / in person within the last date for submission of application form as notified in the advertisement:

Hony. Deputy Director
Directorate of Professional Studies
Tripura University
Suryamaninagar 799 130, Tripura (West)

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The applications received from the applicants shall be scrutinized by a Selection Committee constituted by the University. Selection of candidates shall be made on the basis of the performance at the Entrance and Viva-Voce Examination. For in-service candidates, also, selection will be based on their performance at the Entrance and Viva-Voce Examination.

Admission cannot be claimed as a matter of right.

The list of selected candidates shall be notified in the Notice Board of the Directorate and the concerned Department / School and the candidates shall be required to deposit the course fee within the stipulated period. The payment shall be made at the State Bank of India, Tripura University Branch situated at Suryamaninagar through Bank Challan. A copy of the Bank Challan is to be submitted to the office of the Directorate of Professional Studies, Tripura University, Suryamaninagar at the time of admission.

EXAMINATION PATTERN

1. There shall be a 2-tier evaluation for MRMD Programme:

i) Continuous evaluation in the form of Internal Test / Oral Test /Viva-voce /Class Assignment etc. to be arranged by the Coordinator of the Programme.

ii) Examination at the end of each Semester to be conducted by the controller of Examinations, Tripura University.

2. The eligibility for appearing at the examinations, the details of the internal assessment, examination pattern and pass marks shall be governed by the relevant Rules and Regulations notified by the University from time to time.

COURSE CONTENT

The course for MRMD shall cover the following areas :

- Rural Development in India: Concepts and Experience
- Rural Sociology
- Environment and rural resource management
- Rural Institutions and Good Governance
- Rural Demography
- Rural Development Management
- Methodology for Rural Research and Development
- Rural Industries and Rural Entrepreneurship
- Basics in Computer Application
- Project Preparation
- Community Development and extension
- Rural Technology and IEC
- Rural Economy
- Micro Finance, SHGs and Micro enterprises
- Agricultural Development
- Development of Rural Women and Children
- Institutional Placement
- Rural Exposure and field placement
- Dissertation

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 Directorate of Professional Studies
 Suryamaninagar 799 130

APPLICATION FORM FOR ADMISSION

1.	Programme Applied for	MRMD			
2.	Name in full (Block Letter)				
3.	a) Father's Name	a)			
	b) Mother's Name	b)			
4.	Permanent Address	Pin:			
5.	Address for correspondence (if other than permanent address)	Pin:			
6.	Telephone Number with STD code				
7.	Category (Please Tick)	GEN.	SC	ST	PH
8.	Sex (Please Tick)	Male		Female	
9.	Date of Birth	Date	Month	Year	
10.	Nationality				

11. Educational Qualification:

Examination Passed	Board /University	Year of Passing	Subjects taken	% of marks obtained in aggregate	Class/ Division
Madhyamik			X		
H.S(+2)					
BA/B.Sc /B.Com					
(General/ Honours)					
MA/ M.Sc / M.Com					
Other (Specify)					

12. Declaration by the candidate

I declare that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief and if any of them is found to be incorrect, my admission shall be liable to be cancelled and I shall be liable to face any disciplinary action as may be decided upon by the University.

Place: Date:

Full Signature of the candidate

Note: The following documents (Xeroxed and attested) are to be enclosed with the application form:

1. Admit card/Certificate of Madhyamik or equivalent examination for age verification.
2. Marksheet of Madhyamik /H.S. (+ 2)/Graduation/ Post Graduation examination, as the case may be.
3. Citizenship Certificate.
4. Certificate from appropriate authority in case of ST/SC/PH candidates.

Form No.

Received an application from _____ for admission to MRMD Programme.

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Stamp-size
photograph
(unattested)

Signature:

Date

(Bring this slip at the time of Entrance and Viva-voce Examination)