

## COURSE NO.: SS 627 N: STUDY OF SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND REVOLUTIONS

M.Phil 1<sup>st</sup> Semester, Optional Course, Monsoon Semester July–December, Credits: 4

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**Course Aims:** This course explores a range of contemporary sociological approaches to the study of social movements and revolutions to understand the interplay between theoretical perspectives and methodological approaches. It focuses on several major social movements and revolutions in India and across the world related to issues of labour, ethnicity, nationalism, gender, caste, identity, environment, etc.

**Evaluation:** Four credits are evenly distributed across written assignments and class presentations (four X 3000 words). Two written assignments are based on theories and concepts and other two are on case studies (one each on a particular social movement and a revolution).

### Topics/Themes

1. Defining and Differentiating Social Movements and Revolutions
2. Theories and Concepts of Social Movements: Defining Features, Typology and Case Studies
3. Theories and Concepts of Revolutions: Defining Features, Typology and Case Studies
4. Contentious Politics: Intersection of Social Movements and Revolutions

### Readings:

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