GSO S4 05 (M/P)
Exam Code : SOM 4A / SOE 4A / SOP4A

Social Problems and Social Welfare

SEMESTER - IV

SOCIOLOGY

BLOCK - 1

(Major/Pass)

KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY

Subject Expert

1. Professor Jyoti Prasad Saikia, Dibrugarh University
2. Dr. Nirmali Goswami, Assistant Professor, Tezpur University

Course Co-ordinator : Gargi Gayan, Asst. Prof. (KKHSOU)

SLM Preparation Team

UNITS	CONTRIBUTORS
1.	Dr. Jonali Devi, Cotton College
2.	Dr. Jonali Devi, Cotton College and Gargi Gayan, Asst. Prof. (KKHSOU)
3.	Dola Borkotoky, Asst. Prof. (KKHSOU) and Gargi Gayan, Asst. Prof. (KKHSOU)
4.	Dola Borkotoky, Asst. Prof. (KKHSOU)
5.	Dr. Karabi Koch, Asst. Prof. MSSV.
6.	Dr. Kanta Chakravarty and Mridusmita Kashyap (KKHSOU)
7.	Preetima Gogoi, Research School, JNU
8.	Late Dr. Sangeeta Das, Asst. Prof. MSSV.

Editorial Team

Content (English Version) : Professor Jyoti Prasad Saikia
Language (English Version): Professor. Robin Goswami, Former HOD (English), Cotton College, Guwahati
Structure, Format & Graphics : Gargi Gayan, Assistant Professor, KKHSOU

January, 2019

This Self Learning Material (SLM) of the Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University is made available under a Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike4.0 License (international): http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/4.0/

Printed and published by Registrar on behalf of the Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University.

Head Office : Patgaon, Rani Gate, Guwahati-781017
City Office : Housefed Complex, Dispur, Guwahati-781 006; Web: www.kkhsou.in

The University acknowledges with thanks the financial support provided by the **Distance Education Council**, New Delhi, for the preparation of this study material.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND SOCIAL WELFARE

BLOCK 1
DETAILED SYLLABUS

		PAGES
UNIT 1 :	**Social Problem** Meaning and nature, characteristics, causes, types and approaches	**5 - 17**
UNIT 2 :	**Crime** Meaning and Concept , characteristics and type Crime	**18 - 34**
UNIT 3 :	**Population Explosion and illiteracy** Meaning; Trends and Patterns of Population Explosion, Causes of Overpopulation, Effects of Overpopulation in India, India's population policy, Meaning of Illiteracy, types of illiteracy, Causes of illiteracy, consequences of illiteracy, Illiteracy in Assam	**35 - 49**
UNIT 4 :	**Poverty and Unemployment** Meaning, causes and measures to control poverty; meaning types and consequences of unemployment	**50 - 65**
UNIT 5 :	**Youth Unrest** Meaning, types and causes of Youth Unrest	**66 - 79**
UNIT 6 :	**Social Problems relating to women** Prostitution, dowry, violence against women	**80 - 95**
UNIT 7 :	**Sexually transmitted disease** Concept, magnitude, implications of sexually transmitted	**96 - 109**
UNIT 8 :	**Superstitions** Meaning, causes and effect of superstition	**110 - 126**
	References	

COURSE INTRODUCTION:

This Course is meant for the fourth semester students of Sociology of BA programme under the revised semester system of Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University. The course is titled *Social Problems and Social Welfare.* In this course the learners will be able to learn about different types of Social Problems and the various problems existing in our society.

The learners will also be able to learn about the meaning and significance of social welfare along with the various social welfare measures undertaken by the government as well as non-governmental organisations for the benefit of the society.

BLOCK INTRODUCTION

This is the first block of the course. This block consists of eight units.

The first unit is *Social Problem* This unit will discuss the meaning, nature, characteristics, cause and types of social problem

The second unit is *Crime* . This unit will discuss the meaning, concept, nature, characteristics and type of Crime.

The third unit *is Population Explosion and Illiteracy.* This unit will discuss the meaning, trends, cause and pattern of overpopulation. The unit will also discuss the meaning, causes and consequences of illiteracy.

The fourth unit is *Poverty and Unemployment.* This unit will also discuss the meaning, causes and the measures to control poverty and Unemployment.

The fifth unit is *Youth Unrest.*This unit will discuss the meaning, types and causes of youth unrest.

The sixth unit is titled *Social Problems relating to Women.* This unit will discuss about prostitution, dowry and other violence against women.

The seventh unit is *Sexually Transmitted Disease.* This unit will discuss the concept, magnitude and implications of sexually transmitted disease.

The eighth unit is titled *Superstition.* This unit will discuss the meaning, causes and effect of superstition.

While going through this paper, you will notice that some boxes are put in the left hand or right hand side of the text. These boxes are meant to serve the purpose of in-text glossary for you. Again, you may find some boxes marked with: “LET US KNOW”. These boxes will provide you with some additional interesting and relevant information. And, at the end of each section, you will get “CHECK YOUR PROGRESS” questions. These have been designed to self-check your progress of study. It will be better if you solve the problems put in these boxes immediately after you go through the sections of the units and then match your answers with “ANSWERS TO CHECK YOUR PROGRESS” given at the end of each unit.