



Discipline	COMMERCE				
Course Code	UK3DSECOM201				
Course Title	Conceptual Framework of Co-operation				
Type of Course	DSE				
Semester	III				
Academic Level	200 - 299				
Course Details	Credit	Lecture per week	Tutorial per week	Practical per week	Total Hours/Week
	4	4 hours	-	-	4
Pre-requisites	1. Basic organisational Understanding				
Course Summary	This course equips students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to understand, engage with, and contribute to the cooperative movement, empowering them to become agents of positive change in their communities and beyond.				

Detailed Syllabus:

Module	Unit	Content	Hrs
I	Principles of Co-operation		14
	1	Introduction to Cooperation - Principles Evolution and Development of Co-operatives- International Co-operative Alliance: Objectives – Role – Membership – Governing Bodies - Sectoral organisations and functioning of ICA	7
	2	The Rochdale Principle – Stages of Cooperative Principles by ICA - ICA Cooperative Identity Statement, Definition, Values, and Principles – Cooperative Flag, Slogan and Logo-The Role of Cooperatives in Social and economic development.	7
II	Co-operatives and Other Forms of Economic System		8
	3	Economic Systems - Comparative analysis of cooperation and Other Economic Systems.	4
	4	Economic Organisations - Comparative analysis of cooperation and Other Economic Organisations	4
III	Co-operative Education and Training		8
	5	Co-operative Education and Training - Need and Importance of Co-operative Extension- Member, Employee, Board of Directors, Prospective members- Training, Pre-service and on-service, National Level Organisations and State Cooperative Union.	4
	6	Cooperative knowledge and attitude of members - Member participation in cooperatives- Interview format of ICA- Conduct interviews in Different Cooperatives.	4
IV	Structure and History of Co-operatives		12
	7	History of Cooperatives in India and its structure – Credit and Non-Credit Cooperatives- Two tire Vs three Tire	4
	8	History of Cooperatives in Kerala - Structure of Cooperatives in Kerala - Credit and Non-Credit Cooperatives	8

V	Credit Co-operatives and Financial Inclusion		12
	9	Definition and dimensions of financial inclusion - Role of agricultural cooperatives in rural financial inclusion among underserved populations	3
	10	Digital financial services and mobile banking for rural and urban areas - Role of fintech start-ups in enhancing financial inclusion through cooperative partnerships - Social impact investing and philanthropic initiatives supporting financial inclusion projects (Case studies on the effectiveness of microfinance cooperatives, Community development projects and initiatives - Partnerships with NGOs, Local self-governments, governments, and international organizations)	9

Course Outcomes

