

# MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW)

## 1. NEED/SCOPE:

Social Sciences today have become an important area of studies. Society is a complex network of many realities and it requires a professional approach in all our interventions and interactions. The Profession of Social Work has emerged as an area of work that promotes social change, problem solving in human relationships and empowerment and liberation of people from oppression and marginalization. In response to the innumerable number of problems that are affecting the society today, many concerned citizens have started innumerable number of Non-Governmental Organizations. West Bengal has the maximum number of NGOs in comparison to any of the Indian States.

Recognizing the acute shortage of Social Workers in Eastern India, St. Xavier's College, with its goal of '*reaching the unreached*' has decided to start the Master of Social Work in 2017. Social Work training provided at St. Xavier's College, will not only provide ample scope to uphold the principles of human rights and social justice but will also give opportunity to work with professional national and international agencies. Graduates of the programme will have the scope to find employment in government projects, educational and health care institutions and NGOs working directly and indirectly with the marginalized communities and people. Suitable job prospects are also available in the area of research, consulting, teaching, planning and formulating policies and projects.

## 2. VISION:

To build a humane society and a sustainable environment where everyone will enjoy, protect, preserve and uphold the human dignity and rights, ensuring social and environmental justice, equality and equity.

## 3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

- To give professional and humane knowledge, understanding and training on the reality of the world today.
- To equip students with values, attitudes and skills necessary for genuine Social involvement and Action through theory and practice.
- To form in them the socio-political, cultural and environmental consciousness and responsibility and to foster better relationship with others and nature.
- To enable an attitude of solidarity, dialogue and capacity to insert themselves into the society with a sense of co-responsibility and participation.
- To empower them to become agents of social and environmental change extending priority care to the poor, the oppressed and the vulnerable.
- To give basic knowledge of the methodology of Social Survey and Research.

#### 4. THE COURSE:

The MSW course consists of 2 parts:

Part – I	Part II
3 ½ days of lectures	2 ½ days of Field work (Minimum of 15 hours a week)

#### 5. COURSE STRUCTURE:

Sem	Subject Code	Subject	Credits	No. of Lecture Hrs	No. of Marks
<b>I</b>	SW 2.1.1	Foundation Course - Social Analysis for Social Change	3	45	50
	SW 2.1.2	History and Philosophy of Social Work	3	45	50
	SW 2.1.3	Sociology and Indian Society	3	45	50
	SW 2.1.4	Methods: Working with Communities	2	30	50
	SW 2.1.5	Methods: Social Case Work and Group Work	4	60	100
	SW 2.1.6	Development Politics and Economics	2	30	50
	SW 2.1.7	Medical and Psychiatric Social Work	2	30	50
	FW 1	Field Work	5	---	100
			<b>24</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>II</b>	SW 2.2.1	Rural and Urban Community Development and Organization	3	45	50
	SW 2.2.2	Social and Applied Psychology and Counselling	2	30	50
	SW 2.2.3	Social Work Research Methodology and Statistics	3	45	50
	SW 2.2.4	Human Rights (HR) history, perspectives and contemporary issues in HR	3	45	50
	SW 2.2.5	Administration and Management of Welfare Services	2	30	50
	SW 2.2.6	Women, Gender Issues and Development	3	45	50
	SW 2.2.7	Media and Social Change	2	30	50
	FW 2	Field Work	6	---	100
			<b>24</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>450</b>
<b>III</b>	SW 2.3.1	Environment and Public/Community Health	2	30	50
	SW 2.3.2	Management of Development Organizations, NGOs	2	30	50
	SW 2.3.3	Social Policy and Planning	2	30	50
	SW 2.3.4	Reality of Dalits, Tribals & Weaker Sections and their empowerment	2	30	50
	SW 2.3.5	People's Movements and Collective Action for Change	2	30	50
	SW 2.3.6	Rights Based Approach (RBA) in Social Action	2	30	50
	SW 2.3.7	Constitutional & Legal Frameworks in India	2	30	50

		Any 2 Optional Courses	2 + 2	<b>30+30</b>	<b>50+50</b>
	FW 3	Field Work	6	---	<b>100</b>
			<b>24</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>550</b>
<b>IV</b>	SW 2.4.1	Project Development and Management	2	<b>30</b>	<b>50</b>
	SW 2.4.2	Disaster Preparedness and Management	2	<b>30</b>	<b>50</b>
	SW 2.4.3	Rural Economy and Development ( <i>Panchayati Raj</i> , Local Self Governance)	2	<b>30</b>	<b>50</b>
	SW 2.4.4	Social Legislations (RTI, RTE, FRA, RTF etc.)	2	<b>30</b>	<b>50</b>
	SW 2.4.5	Research Project or Term Paper	6	---	<b>100</b>
		Any 2 Optional Courses	2 + 2	30+30	<b>50+50</b>
	FW 4	Field Work (Including 3 full weeks of Block Placement)	6	---	<b>100</b>
			<b>24</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>500</b>
		<b>Total number of Credits (24+24+24+24)</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>1005</b>	<b>2,000</b>