



Institute of Rural Management Anand

Measuring Development

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About the Programme

“In life what gets measured gets managed”. Hence, measuring or sizing of any problem is the essential first step in tackling it. Measurement not only allows one to compare present situation with past, but also facilitates setting up targets for future. It also indicates where we stand relative to other.

This programme deals with both the conceptual and practical issues in measuring development. It considers different measures of development: poverty, inequality, inclusion, quality of life, human development, gender development, among others.

One of the dilemmas in measurement is choice between alternative measures: How to decide which is a better measure? This training programme provides the clues and the tools to examine different alternative options. The programme explores the policy implications of measures, and further improvement in measures to achieve development with a human face in an environmentally benign manner.

Objectives

- ◆ To provide an in-depth understanding of conceptual issues concerning different measures of development.
- ◆ To equip participants with necessary analytical and critical skills to assess different facets of development like poverty, inequality, growth, human development, etc.
- ◆ To develop insights into the evolution of different measures and their characteristics, usage, and possible implications.
- ◆ To expose participants on different sources of data to measure development and provide hands-on experience of using these datasets.

Benefits of the Programme

Best measures are not always the most popular. Success of a measure depends on many factors – from its simplicity to politics of it. This programme enables participants to understand the nuances. Data are indispensable for development practitioner. But this training provides the critical aptitude to go beyond data—understand the intentions behind the data and their immediate consequences. Needless to say, all the participants are awarded with certificate from IRMA at the end of the programme.

Contents

- ◆ Multi-faceted nature of development: Ends and means of development; Single and composite measures; Monetary measures: GDP, PCI, PPP; limitations of such measures
- ◆ Human development and policy: Human development paradigm; Evolution of Human Development Index (HDI), Critiques of HDI, Alternative measures of HDI
- ◆ Development and poverty: Notions of poverty; Poverty line; Properties of poverty measure; Measures of poverty – HCR, IGR, PGR, FGT measures, etc.; Multi-dimensional poverty
- ◆ Gender and development: Assessing gender biases; Counting ‘missing women’, Beyond female to male ratio; Measure of Gender Development – GDI, GEM, GII
- ◆ Inequality in development: Economic inequality – concepts and measures; Group differential; Inequality development interconnections; Analyzing inverted U hypothesis
- ◆ Measuring human capital – health and education; Nutrition and food security; Literacy measures – proximate and secluded literacy; Population-development links
- ◆ Environment and development: Accounting environmental costs and benefits; Measuring natural resources – renewable, non-renewable; Sustainable development; SDGs
- ◆ Philosophical and empirical treatment development: Gandhi’s talisman; Sen’s capability Approach; Rawls theory of justice; Ways of measurement matters – case of MDGs

Pedagogy

The pedagogy includes best in practice methods of classroom interactions, group exercises, and quizzes – based on academic literature, global initiatives, local practices, and case studies.

Who Should Attend

Development and management practitioners from all walks of life: Co-operatives, NGOs, Government organizations, executives at supervisory, middle, and senior levels.

Programme Fee

This is a 3-day online programme and the programme fee is INR 16,992/- (inclusive of 18% GST) per person. The fee should be paid in advance through NEFT/RTGS.

Delivery in Virtual Mode

The sessions will be scheduled on an online platform. Participants are required to have access to a personal computer/laptop with stable internet connection and a webcam to access the sessions.

Deadline for Confirmation of Participation: October 10, 2021

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