

**INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY**  
**Planning & Development Division**

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**Academic Programme Launch of Notification No. 181**  
**Bachelor of Rural Studies- (BFRS)**

With the approval of Competent Authority, Bachelor of Rural Studies (FYUP) (BFRS) is offered through ODL Mode from July, 2026 Session, as per the following details:

The Details of the Programme are as under:

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent

**Medium of Instruction:** English & Hindi

**Duration:** Minimum 3 Years; Maximum 6 Years

**Fee Structure:** ₹ 5,000/- Per Year

**Programme Details:** Total Credits: 120 for 3 Years and 160 for 4 Years

**Examination Mode:** Annual

**Study Materials:** Both (Print and Digital)

**Expected Enrolment:** 500 (Approx.)

**Courses:**

Year/ (Semester)	Course codes	Title of the Course	Type of Course	Course Credits
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year</b> (I - Sem)	BRDC-101	Introduction to Rural Studies	Theory	6
		<b>Minor -1 (VOC)</b>	Theory	4
		<b>Inter Disciplinary Courses (IDC)</b>	Theory	6
		<b>SEC- 1</b>	Theory	4
<b>Note:</b> The Course of Minor-1 (VOC), SEC-1 and IDC will be taken from common basket of Courses				
<b>(II - Sem)</b>	BPR-103	Panchyati Raj Institutions and Rural Development Programmes	Theory	6
		<b>Minor-2 (VOC)</b>	Theory	4
		<b>AEC-1</b> (Environmental Studies)	Theory	4
		<b>Value added courses (VAC-1)</b>	Theory	6
<b>Note:</b> The Course of Minor-2 (VOC) and VAC-1 will be taken from common basket of Courses				
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b> (III - Sem)	BRDC-102 BPR-101	Basics of Indian Rural Economy	Theory	6
		Panchayat and Development Administration in India	Theory	6
		<b>Minor - 3 (DSC)</b>	Theory	4
		<b>AEC -2</b>	Theory	4
<b>Note:</b> The Course of Minor-3(DSC) and AEC-2 will be taken from common basket of Courses				
<b>(IV - Sem)</b>	BRDC-104 BRDC 105	Rural Livelihoods	Theory	6
		Field Diary	Practicum	6
		<b>Minor - 4 (DSC)</b>	Theory	4
		<b>SEC -2</b>	Theory	4
<b>Note:</b> The Course of Minor-4 (DSC) and SEC-2 will be taken from common basket of Courses				
<b>Year/ (Semester)</b>	<b>Course codes</b>	<b>Title of the Course</b>	<b>Type of Course</b>	<b>Course Credits</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Year</b>	BPR-102	Decentralized Planning and Panchayati Raj	Theory	6
	BRDC-107	Rural Communication and Infrastructure	Theory	6

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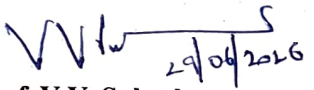
Year/ (Semester)	Course codes	Title of the Course	Type of Course	Course Credits
(V - Sem)		<b>Minor- 5 (DSC)</b>	Theory	4
		<b>SEC- 3</b>	Theory	4
<b>Note:</b> The Course of Minor-5 (DSC) and SEC-3 will be taken from common basket of Courses				
(VI - Sem)	BRDC-108	Rural Industrialization	Theory	6
	BRDC-109	Technology for Rural Transformation	Theory	6
		<b>Minor- 6 (VOC)</b>	Theory	4
		<b>SEC- 4</b>	Theory	4
<b>Note:</b> The Course of Minor -6 (VOC) and SEC-4 will be taken from common basket of Courses				

*\*Fourth Year (Semester 7 & 8) will be updated as approved by FYUP Committee.*

**Details of Approval in the Academic Council:** 81<sup>st</sup> AC (Item No.23) held on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.

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