Rethinking Development

Six days course for development practitioners

continuing education programme
11th to 16th November, 2019

@ Azim Premji University, Bangalore

Apply before Sept 29
Why this course?

Over the last 70 years, development has witnessed various twists and turns in theory as well as in practice in India. During the last 30 years, the emphasis shifted from a purely economic development approach to participatory development, human development and recently to sustainable development. In parallel, new realities are emerging, calling for a fundamental rethinking of the organising principles around which the development endeavour has been built.

The six-day course titled ‘Rethinking Development’ provides a landscape view of the various new ways of development thinking and practice are gaining ground in India. The course helps participants to question the dominant paradigms of production and markets, governance, education, skills and knowledge in the context of the emerging social-ecological realities of the country.

What will you learn?

- Familiarity with the emerging vision of development through alternative ideas, concepts, and locating the self in this endeavour.
- Awareness of the alternative conceptualisations of production systems, governance, education-knowledge through contemporary examples
- Exposure to alternative frameworks of development action

Eligibility to attend:

The course is open to professionals with a Masters’ Degree in any discipline, working in the development sector for at least 7 years. The candidates must be between 30-50 years of age. Depending upon availability, some seats may be open to research scholars. All applicants must possess a working knowledge of English.

Application:

The candidates should apply before 29th September 2019, with a 400-500 words write up on “Why is rethinking development necessary?” The selected candidates will be informed about the payment process by October 01. The last day for fee payment is October 09, 2019. The decision of the University will be final.

Language and Pedagogy:

- The course will be offered in English.
- The pedagogy would include small group discussions, large group discussions, interactive sessions, simulation exercise, reading & classroom presentations, case studies, short documentaries, and classroom lectures.
The participants will be awarded a certificate of participation on completion of the entire duration of six days.

**Learning Sessions:**

The learning sessions will start with a review of the dominant development frameworks. This session will be followed by familiarising the participants with some of the emerging frameworks of development action. The course will then discuss a total of 12 examples of such actions in three major axes; production systems, governance and education and knowledge. It will also immerse the participants in a day-long simulation exercise to reflect on the self. The course will end by synthesising the learning from all the deliberations.

**Course Fee:**

- General: Rs. 6,490/- (all taxes included).
- Field partner organisations of University: Rs. 1,180/- (all taxes included)

**Accommodation:**

The course fee does not include accommodation. The university can arrange accommodation at Wipro guest house for 7 days for additional payment of Rs. 8260/- (all taxes included). Request for the same has to be intimated at time of application. Alternatively, participants can make their own arrangements.

All other costs, such as travel to and from Bangalore, local travel, stay, breakfast and dinner must be borne by participants.

**Certificate of Participation:**

The participants will be awarded a certificate of participation on completion of the entire duration of six days.

**Course Directors:**

Ashok Sircar
Porag Shome

**Other Faculty:**

Madhuri Ramesh, Azim Premji University
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And More…!
How to Apply?

To apply, complete the form available at: https://forms.gle/mtBtBPTTSQ3VRxRp6, along with 400-500 words write-up on, “Why is rethinking development necessary?”

For any questions, please write to: rethinkdev@apu.edu.in

Late Date of application: September 29, 2019

About Azim Premji University

Azim Premji University was established as a not for-profit, private university under the Azim Premji University Act 2010. The University has a clear social purpose of working towards a just, equitable, humane and sustainable society. Azim Premji University plays a critical role in developing new talent, building capacity in existing functionaries and creating domain knowledge in the fields of education and in development. The Azim Premji Foundation is the sponsor of the University. The roots of Azim Premji University lie in the learning and experience of a decade of work in elementary education by Azim Premji Foundation. The University is one of the Foundation’s key responses to the challenges confronting the education and development sectors in India. The University offers Bachelors’ degrees in Physics, Biology, Maths, Economics and Humanities and Masters’ degrees in Education, Development, Public Policy and Governance, LLM (Law and Development), and MA-Economics and Development.