

## **BPLN-801: Professional Practice**

### **Module 1: Role of Planner**

Planner's input as professional at various levels and organizations, his role in decision making processes, relevant issues: Generalists vs. specialists, professionals vs. technocrats, planner as decision maker vs. advisor to decision maker, relationship with client, developers, institutions and contractors; Relationship with other experts such as engineers, architects, sociologists, economist, lawyers, etc. for specialized studies related to planning.

### **Module 2: Organization, Scope and Scale of Charges**

Aims and objectives of professional institutes, sister bodies; Professional roles and responsibilities of planning consultants; Responsibilities towards clients, fellow professionals and general public; Scope of services for different projects like master plan for urban area, zonal district plan, sector/neighbourhood, layout for group housing schemes, commercial centres, industrial estates, etc.; Consultancy agreements and safeguards; Fees and scales of professional charges.

### **Module 3: Political Systems, Social Systems and Planning**

Democracy and planning, socialism and planning, fascism and planning; Tribal society, peasant society, industrial society; Spatial segregation in India;

### **Module 4: Conflicts, Resolutions and Ethics**

Nature and mode of resolution of conflicts; Public participation in planning as an aid to better understanding planning and implementation; Political nature of planning and implementation problems in India; Case studies: examples from the other parts of the world highlighting situations where such problems have been minimized; Canons of ethics; Ethics of virtue; Ethics of duty; Ethics of responsibility; Work ethics; Professional ethics; Ethics in planning profession, research and education.

Note: It is preferable that this course is delivered by practitioners having considerable experience in planning practice.