

Kolhan University, Chaibasa  
Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP)  
Anthropology, MJ-1, Credits: 6, Sem-I

### **Major Paper-1**

## **Introduction to Social-Cultural Anthropology**

### **Theory**

**Unit I:** Anthropological perspective and orientation, scope and relevance of Social Anthropology, relationship of Social Anthropology with other disciplines-History, Psychology, Sociology and Economics (**15 lectures**)

**Unit II:** Concepts of society and culture, status and role, social stratification (**15 lectures**)

**Unit III:** Social-cultural institutions: family, marriage, kinship, religion and magic, customary laws (**15 lectures**)

**Unit IV:** Linguistic Anthropology: cultural setting of language, cultural analysis of colour and kinship terminologies (**15 lectures**)

### **Practical (30 lectures/2 credits)**

The practical will include the following techniques and methods in collection of data in Social Anthropology:

1. Observation
2. Interview
3. Questionnaire and Schedule
4. Case study
5. Life history

### **Suggested Readings**

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