



Extension education



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Definitions:

- **Extension education** is the process of teaching rural people how to live better by learning ways that improve their farm, home and community.
- Is an out of school system of education in which adult and young people learn by doing. It is partnership between the Government and the people.
- Is an educational process to provide knowledge to the rural people about the improved practices in a convincing manner and help them to take decision under local conditions.
- **Extension Education** is an informal system of education for all rural people.

Objectives of Extension Education:

- ▶ The main aim of Extension Education is develop of rural people educational, social, and economic and change in the behaviour.

The objectives of Extension Education are:

1. To increase the income of farmers by more production and suitable marketing system.
2. To raise the standard of living of rural people.
3. Development of rural areas.
4. To develop rural leadership.
5. To develop the feeling of self-dependence among rural people.
6. To encourage rural people to participate in community programs.
7. To train rural youth for development works.

Characteristics of Extension Education:

- ▶ 1. Co-operative in nature
- ▶ 2. Informal in nature
- ▶ 3. Flexible in order to meet the needs
- ▶ 4. Concerned with teaching farmers
- ▶ 5. Voluntary in participation
- ▶ 6. Family centered

To develop rural people by extension education, the following functions should be done:

- ▶ **1. Change in knowledge of the people:** It change in a person's knowledge by providing new information about works by using extension methods.
- ▶ **2. Change in skills of the people:** farmers should adopt new technologies, which increases production and his profits and reducing cost. Change in skills of people should be brought training.
- ▶ **3. Change in goals of the people:** change farmer's goal, for example, If a farmer aim is to grow only two crops in the field then he should be encouraged that he can grow more than two crops in his fields, then will have more profit.

To develop rural people by extension education, the following functions should be done:

- ▶ **4. Change in confidence of the people:** There should be change in confidence of the people that by adopting new techniques there will be definite increase in their net income. Extension worker should have confidence that his extension work will definitely bring benefit to farmers.
- ▶ **5. To develop the leadership:** Extension worker should develop permanent leadership in the area, who can adopt new technology and help in spreading the new technology.

Difference between Extension Education (Informal Education) and Formal Education		
	Extension Education (Informal Education)	Class room Education (Formal Education)
1	There is no examination, and no degree or other certificate is given to the participating student	Students have to do examination and after evaluation; the degrees and certificates are awarded to the student
2	The problems of the people are solved by the people	The problems of the student are solved by the teacher
3	People involved are of different age and abilities	Students are of same age and the same qualification
4	The rural people learn with their own desire	The students have to learn compulsorily
5	The presence of the rural people is voluntary	The presence of the student is compulsory
6	By extension education the human behaviour is changed.	In the institutional education, only the knowledge of student is increased.

