

Is your
life's goal
to make a
real difference?



If yes, then join the journey of
learning creative social work

PGD SRR - 2026-27

*(P.G. Diploma in Sustainable Rural Reconstruction:
Gandhian Perspective)*

Salient Features

- ▶ Full scholarship
- ▶ Students will be provided a monthly stipend for a period of one year
- ▶ Board and lodging on the GRF campus
- ▶ Feasibility of placement assurance after successful completion of PGD course



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Gandhi Research Foundation (GRF) has been established with the objective of rejuvenating the Gandhian values of truth, nonviolence, liberty, justice, fraternity and equality. GRF provides a unique learning opportunity by offering training in Gandhian leadership through learning, fieldwork and rural internship.



Community dialogue

“Education should be so revolutionized as to answer the wants of the poorest villager, instead of answering those of an imperial exploiter.”

–Mahatma Gandhi

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Course design

- ▶ **Duration: One-year residential program**
- ▶ 5 months Campus training
- ▶ 4 months Field placement in villages
 - » Team building through fieldwork
- ▶ 1 month Internship with Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) / Development organisation
 - » Learning-by-doing: Planning and implementation
- ▶ 1 month Examinations and submission of dissertation

Medium of instruction: English & Hindi

Faculty

Apart from the in-house facilitators and research staff, foremost social entrepreneurs and outstanding guest researchers will contribute to the success of the course.

- ▶ **Prof. Sudarshan Iyengar**
- ▶ **Prof. Gita Dharampal**
- ▶ **Kapilbhai Shah** (Jatan Trust, Vadodara)
- ▶ **Dr. Ashwin Zala**
- ▶ **Girish Kulkarni**
- ▶ **Shreekumar** (Sangatya Udupi)
- ▶ **Dr. Nirmala Parmar**
- ▶ **Deepak Mishra**
- ▶ **Dr. Shreekant Iyengar** (Karnavati University, Ahmedabad)
- ▶ **Barun Mitra**
- ▶ **Yugandhar Mandavkar** (Grass Roots Action for Social Participation, Pune)

Chairman's message

"Disparities and conflicts around us seem to be growing even as we see economic growth. Bridging the urban-rural divide and other disparities by leveraging the opportunities of the knowledge era and the eternal Gandhian values can minimise them. They would also lead to a more sustainable and conflict free world."

The one year post graduate diploma course in 'Sustainable Rural Reconstruction: Gandhian perspective' at Gandhi Research Foundation aims to nurture youth to engage themselves into this noble task.

– **Anil Kakodkar**

Chairman, Gandhi Research Foundation



Faculty speak

"Through this diploma program, we are trying to orient the youth desirous of building a nonviolent society in India with a rural basis."

– **Prof. Sudarshan Iyengar**

Director, Gandhi Research Foundation

"If you are a socially aware and committed young person, this is the course for you: it will provide you with foundational knowledge and the wherewithal to make a real difference in bringing about sustainable rural reconstruction."

– **Prof. Gita Dharampal**

Research Dean, Gandhi Research Foundation



Work Presentation



Guest Lectures



Library



Exposure visits

Students' speak

"This course gave me a comprehensive understanding of rural development and sustainable growth. The course focussed on hands-on training, allowing me to participate in real-time field projects where I could apply the knowledge I gained in practical settings."

– **Vaibhav Jadhav**

"I gained diverse experiences that shaped my understanding of rural development and sustainability. The role-playing in the NGL Camp enhanced my leadership skills. Through the Gram Samwad Cycle Yatra, I connected with village communities and understood their challenges."

– **Shalini Banik**

"This course is an attempt to understand societal problems and find solutions. I understood Gandhi's life and his work and gained insight into what it means to be a Gandhian leader. We connected with young representatives from different states and learned about the lives and struggles of tribal communities. The foundation of Gram Swaraj begins in the village, and I had the opportunity to work with people in the village to gain a deeper understanding."

– **Puja Uikey**

Admission fees: ₹10,000/-

Admission for the

P.G. Diploma in Sustainable Rural Reconstruction 2026-27

commencing from July 15, 2026 is now open.

ADMISSION OPEN

For application, Contact GRF office

Also available on GRF website

Online Application URL & QR Code

http://www.gandhifoundation.net/GRF_post_graduate_diploma.htm



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