# Energy Studies Programme School of International Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University

Course No. : **Ph.D. EG611** 

Course Title : Energy: Concepts, Policies and Politics

Course Type : **Optional** 

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Credits : 4

Semester : Monsoon

Course Duration : One Semester
Contact Hours : 4 hours per week

Teaching Method : Lectures and Discussions

Evaluation Method : Class Performance/Assignments/ End Semester Test

#### **Course Rationale**

Defined as "the capacity of a system to do work" in physical sciences, 'Energy' refers to the mix of fuel types that run the economic engine of any country in international politics and policy studies. As today's commonly used commercial energy sources are unevenly distributed among different geographical locations, energy used by any country demands greater cooperation and more substantial interdependence among economies. The exploration, production, transportation, usage and waste processing of energy sources and the generation and transmission of electricity often involve trade and interaction of more than one country. The environmental impacts of energy-related emissions and the public concerns about using specific fuel sources are also critical issues beyond the geographical borders of any single country. Further, the growing demand for renewable sources and clean energy technologies are already influencing regional and multilateral collaborations and making way for cooperation and competition among countries. Energy studies is an interdisciplinary field and are the confluence of studies of fuel sources, international politics, foreign policy, technology, economics, environment, market dynamics, society and legal aspects.

## **Course Objectives**

The objective of this course is to equip students with detailed knowledge of energy resources and pertinent trends along with the national and global energy policies and energy-climate change linkages. This course provides students with an overall context for understanding both the domestic and global energy sector landscape and how it impacts international relations.

## **Learning Outcomes**

The learning outcomes expected from this course include:

- Examine and assess the role of energy sector developments in influencing international relations.
- Analyse the interlinkages between energy and climate change from an Indian and international standpoint
- Evaluate global energy policies and its implications for India

### **Course Content**

## **Unit 1: Fundamental Concepts of Energy**

This component will cover energy as a system, classification of energy resources, and distinctions between primary energy, secondary energy, and final energy demand. The component will also discuss energy accounting frameworks, the stock and flow of energy resources, the concept of energy balance, load factor and load curves.

#### **Unit 2: Units and Measures of Energy:**

This component will discuss the key units and measures commonly used in the energy sector.

#### **Unit 3: Introduction to Energy Resources**

This component will introduce various fuel sources, including fossil fuels, renewable energy sources, technologies, and nuclear energy.

#### **Unit 4: Energy in Domestic and External Policy**

This component will focus on energy as a factor in domestic and external policy. Making of energy policy in the backdrop of market trends, geopolitics, resource security, the resource curse and energy nationalism will be discussed

#### **Unit 5: Global Energy Industry and Market**

This component will discuss the key aspects related to the global energy market and industry players, commercial competition in different geographic settings, the search for energy security and the competition among import-dependent economies

#### **Unit 6: Energy and Climate Change Linkages**

This component will discuss the energy and the climate change dimension, climate change and equity, international response to climate change, India's responses to climate change

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