

Course title	<b>Sustainability in River Basin Management</b>									Course No	<b>CE5016</b>			
Department	Civil Engineering	New Credits	L	T	E	P	O	C	TH	Old	L	T	P	C
			3				6	9		Credits	3			3
Offered for	Ph.D.; M.S.; M. Tech.; B. Tech. 4th year									Status	Modified			
Faculty	<b>B. S. Murty; Balaji Narasimhan; Venkatraman Srinivasan; K. P. Sudheer</b>									Type	Theory			
Pre-requisite	None									To take effect from	01-01-2022			

**Objectives:**

At the end of the course, the students

- 1) have a clear understanding of concepts of sustainability, sustainability indices and need for sustainable development;
- 2) are capable of applying principles of sustainability for holistic water management at the scale of river basins;
- 3) are capable of assessing river basin scale water management plans from the point of view of sustainability.

**Course Contents:**

1. Introduction: Basic concepts of sustainability; Anthropocene; Global climate change
2. Basic hydrologic processes: Precipitation, Interception, Evapotranspiration, Water in vadose zone, Groundwater, Surface runoff and Streamflow
3. Status and challenges in sustainability and river basin management: Rising water demand; Water and poverty; Water governance and finance; Water pollution; Water and land use; Dams and diversions, Blue and green water, Hydrological change due to climate change.
4. Towards sustainability: Optimizing and improving single aspects; Demand reduction; Increasing supplies; Water resources protection; Equity and education; Monitoring and data management; Improving management and justice; Improving administrative (transnational) structures; Improving prediction and risk assessment.
5. Evaluation of sustainability: Economic and sustainability criteria; Ecological and environment sustainability criteria; Institutional and social sustainability criteria; Multi-criteria sustainability indices, Complex decision support systems

**Text Books:**

1. Jones, J. A. A. 2010. Water sustainability - a global perspective. Hodder Education: London.
2. Loucks, D.P.; Gladwell, J.S. 1999. Sustainability criteria for water resource systems. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge.
3. S. L. Dingman, 2002, Physical hydrology, Prentice-Hall.

**Reference Books:**

Selection of recent and fundamental journal articles (available as pdf) as suggested by the Instructor

