

**EXTENSION EDUCATION: A SCIENCE HAVING GOOD ALLIANCE  
WITH OTHER SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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**E**xtension education is the dynamic & flexible type of the education which serves the people wherever they are and whatever they are. It helps in the development of the individual as well as all categories of the constituents of society. It is practical, field and farmers' problem-oriented education, and it starts with practical and end with basic theoretical understanding. It is a widely accepted and well-recognized education with the aim of brings desirable changes in human behaviour. It is need-based in nature, provides freedom of choice of subject matter to learners and uses local teachers for training and dissemination of knowledge. It has a good relationship with other social sciences, and through that, it helps to develop the society and nation. Here in this article, some good relationships of extension education and other social sciences are below mentioned;

**1. Extension education and rural sociology:**

This both sciences are very close to each other, that we can't easily distinguish them. Rural sociology deals with the study of relationships amongst the people of rural society and similar way extension education also greatly oriented towards the study of rural life. They are jointed to the causes of each other and reap the advantages of each other's association.

**2. Extension education and rural psychology:**

Rural psychology deals with the study of human behaviour of people of rural society, and in a similar way, extension education also deals with the behavioural study. These both join hand in making a study of individual behaviour in a social situation, and this shows that both fields overlap each other.

**3. Extension education and cultural anthropology:**

Cultural anthropology generally deals with how people who share a common cultural system organize and shape the physical and social world around them and are in turn, shaped by those ideas, behaviours, and physical environments. Similar way, extension education also deals with the individual as well as group behaviour of society and cultural aspects too. In

many anthropological studies, our attention is directed towards many of those problems which extension education has to face.

**4. Extension education and ethics:**

The ethical norms are framed in relation to society, and how these norms affect the behaviour of an individual is of great interest in extension education.

**5. Extension education and economics:**

Extension education and economics both work closely together with reference to understand and improve the economic conditions of people and their wellbeing of them. Many of the problems of economics are also problems of extension education. In both the sciences, primary and secondary data are an important source of information, research and analysis.

**6. Extension education and political science:**

In both of the sciences, dealing with human behaviour is common. At the time of exit poll of any election, the survey is conducted for prediction of results. A similar way in extension education survey method is used for getting the primary data and on that basis results of research work are got.

**7. Extension education and abnormal psychology:**

The study of abnormal psychology is helpful in understanding the anti-social behaviour of people. Extension education gets help in understanding those abnormalities of individual behaviour which have a social, economic or political origin.

**8. Extension education and home science:**

Home science is the science of a home, also deals with education through which desirable changes are brought about in family living. Extension education, which works with almost every institution and all individuals who come from these families or home fronts, has a very happy relationship with the home science discipline. In all the KVKs of our country, the post of home scientists is there, and they work as extension personnel and do various kind of extension activities like arrangement of FLDs, provide training, organizing field days, and provide various seeds or plant materials to the farming communities with a view to the development of them.

**9. Extension education and farm journalism:**

Farm journalism is one of the subjects of extension education. They both have a common aim to disseminate farm related information. With the combine efforts of both these discipline, the best outcome can be taken.

**10. Extension education and business:**

For the establishment and successful running of any business, it is necessary to understand market research, market survey, the behaviour of consumer and the condition of the market. Similar kind of activities i.e. survey and behavioural studies, are carried out in extension education.

**11. Extension education and social welfare:**

In the process of social welfare, extension education helps social workers to plan socially-oriented and educational activities. Even in the field of medicine, law and police, human nature and its mental aspects are kept in mind. As a preventive measure and as a cure of all, the above fields take the help of principles, practices and methods extension education. In a country like India, the programme of family planning and extension education are associated with each other, and there exists a great demand for extension educators to help and boost up the family planning programme.

**Conclusion**

On the basis of above mentioned all relationships, it can be concluded that extension education has a good alliance with other social sciences, and it is interlinked with others. On the basis of extension education's good alliance, one can get its benefit for the process of development of a nation.

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