Introduction to Housing – Concepts, issues, definitions; Shelter and human needs; Housing process and sequence of development; Housing Acts and policies; National Housing Policy, Non-formal Housing; Housing options in Urban areas; Standards for housing; Housing densities; Housing Design and layout; Housing infrastructure and planning; Materials and appropriate technology for shelter. Metropolitan housing, shelter strategy for mass metro cities, strategy for slums and squatters. Innovative materials and techniques for mass housing. Housing and rehabilitation for disaster prone areas Housing techniques and finance. Mechanism of housing loans; Role of private sector in housing and effect of global capital participation in housing sector.