Course No. ECONA301

Course title: Indian Economy

Nature of Course: DSE – 1

Number of credits: 6

Number of Lectures (L): Practical (P): Tutorial (T): 44:00:16

Course Description

This course is designed to enable students to have in-depth knowledge of various problems and issues faced by Indian Economy. The course will concentrate on both the achievements and the issues of the economy.

Course Outline

Unit	Title	Credits
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I.	Understanding the Indian Economy	12
	Impact of colonization on Indian Economy. Post-Independence Economy;	
	Planning for the economy – objectives, strategy and achievements (Plan wise	
	details to be excluded). State of the Economy in 1991. Features of the Economic Reforms and Structural Adjustment Programme: Liberalization, Privatization and	
	Globalization. Appraisal of Economic Reform Programme. Relevance of planning	
	in the context of globalization, Objectives and Functions of NITI Aayog.	
II.	Problems Faced by Indian Economy	10
	Poverty: definition and estimate, poverty line, poverty alleviation programs.	
	Inequality: income and regional inequality – causes and corrective measures.	
	Unemployment: concepts, measurement, types, causes and remedies.	
	Food problem and food security, Role of Public Distribution System (PDS) in India.	
	Direct Cash Transfer Scheme of Government.	
III.	Agriculture in India	12
	Pattern of Growth of Indian Agriculture since 1950; Land Reforms, Green	
	Revolution, Agricultural Production, Productivity. Factors Influencing Agricultural	
	Development: Marginalisation, Labour, Marketing and Finance. Issues and challenges in agricultural credit and subsidy.	
	Deceleration in the 1990s – Causes and Future Challenges. Economic	
	Liberalization and Emerging Trends in Indian Agriculture. New Agricultural Policy	
	(In the context of liberalization.)	
IV.	Industries in India	10
	Role of Industry in Economic Development. Pattern of Industrialization, Industrial	
	development during the plan period. Role, Growth and Problems of Cottage, small	
	scale and Medium scale industries in India.	
	Industrial Policy: 1948, 1956 and 1991 and Recent Developments. Impact of New	
	Industrial Policy on Industrial Sector.	

Suggested Readings:

- 1. U. Kapila (2010):Indian economy since Independence. Academic Foundation, New Delhi
- 2. S. Chakraborty (): Development Planning: The Indian Experience. Clarendon Press.
- 3. Jalan Bimal 1992, The Indian Economy Problems and Prospects.
- 4. A. Panagariya (2008): India: the Emerging Giant, Oxford University Press, New York
- 5. S. Acharya and R. Mohan (Eds.) (2010): India's Economy: Performance and Challenges, Oxford University Press. New Delhi.
- 6. I. J. Ahluwalia and I. M. D. Little (Eds.) (1998): India's Economic Reforms and Development: Essays for Manmohan Singh, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.