

**Course No.** ECONA303  
**Course title:** Economy of Himachal Pradesh  
**Nature of Course:** DSE – 3  
**Number of credits:** 6  
**Number of Lectures (L): Practical (P): Tutorial (T):** 40:00:00

### Course Description

This course highlights the basic features, characteristics and developmental issues of the Himachal Pradesh economy.

### Course Outline

Unit	Title	Credits
		L
I.	<b>Features of Himachal Pradesh Economy</b> Resource endowment - Land, Water, Minerals, Forests, Demographic Trends, Human Development Index. Trends in State income – Structural growth before and after reforms, Sources of State Finances. Targets and Achievements of Plans and current year Budget.	10
II.	<b>Agriculture and Horticulture of Himachal Pradesh</b> Role of Agriculture and Horticulture in State Domestic Product Cropping pattern, Productivity and yield of major crops, Agricultural marketing, Agricultural finance, Marginalization and Agricultural Diversification in Himachal Pradesh. Trends in Fruit and vegetable Production and Productivity. Critical evaluation of government policies on agriculture and horticulture sector.	10
III.	<b>Industrial and Power Sector of Himachal Pradesh</b> Trends and patterns in industrial growth, large scale and small scale industries of Himachal Pradesh, Labour Welfare measures and skill development programmes. Trends in hydro power generation in Himachal Pradesh. Environmental issues related to Industrilisation and power projects in Himachal Pradesh.	10
IV.	<b>Infrastructure and Tourism of Himachal Pradesh</b> Transport: road, rail and air. Banking, Housing, Social Welfare, Education and health programmes of the State Government. Role of Tourism in the economic development of Himachal Pradesh.	10
<b>Suggested Readings:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Economic Survey, Various Issues, Department of Economics and Statistics, GoHP.</li> <li>2. Himachal Pradesh Development Report, Planning Commission. GoI.</li> <li>3. Sharma, L.R. (1987), The Economy of Himachal Pradesh: Growth and Structure: a Study in Development Performance, Mittal Publishing.</li> <li>4. Ashok Kumar Tiwari, 2000, Infrastructure and economic development in Himachal Pradesh, Indus Publishing.</li> <li>5. Y.S. Parmar, Years of Challenge and Growth, Rubicon Publishing House.</li> <li>6. L.R. Sharma, (2005), Quality of Life in Himalayan Region, Indus Publishing.</li> <li>7. Mian Goverdhan Singh, History, Culture and Economy of Himachal Pradesh, Minerva Book House.</li> </ol>		