

Semester V
B.A. (Honours) Economics
C 11: INDIAN ECONOMY- I (6 Credits)
Full marks: 100 (Mid Term-20 + End Term-80)

Course Description

Using appropriate analytical frameworks, this course reviews major trends in economic indicators and policy debates in India in the post-Independence period, with particular emphasis on paradigm shifts and turning points. Emphasis needs to be given in capturing the emerging issues.

Units		No of Lecture Hours	No of Tutorial Hours	Marks
1.	Economic Development since Independence Indian Economy on the eve of independence- An overview; Alternative development strategies since independence- goal of self-reliance based on import substitution and protection, the post-1991 globalization strategies based on stabilization and structural adjustment packages; An assessment of performance- sustainability and regional contrasts; structural transformation of savings and investment.	20	4	20
2.	Population and Human Development Demographic features and trends- Size and growth rates of population, trends in birth and death rates, Density of population, Age and Sex Composition, Population as a factor of economic development, Demographic Dividend; National Population Policy; Human Development in India- Human Development indicators, Human Development Index, India's human development record in global prospective.	20	4	20
3.	Growth and Distribution Poverty- Concept and Incidence of Poverty in India, Poverty estimates, Growth and Poverty, Strategy of Poverty Alleviation; Inequality- Income inequality in India: Magnitude and Nature, Growth and Inequality, Causes of income inequality, Government policies and measures. Unemployment- Nature and types of unemployment in India, Magnitude, Changing dimensions of unemployment and employment, Causes of unemployment, Government policies and measures.	20	4	20
4.	International Comparisons India's economic interaction with the world economy, A comparative assessment of India's development experience with high performing Asian economies-	15	3	20

	Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan			
Total		75	15	80

Reading List:

1. Jean Dreze and Amartya Sen, 2013. *An Uncertain Glory: India and its Contradictions*, Princeton University Press.
2. Pulapre Balakrishnan, 2007, The Recovery of India: Economic Growth in the Nehru Era, *Economic and Political Weekly*, November.
3. Rakesh Mohan, 2008, —Growth Record of Indian Economy: 1950-2008. A Story of Sustained Savings and Investment, *Economic and Political Weekly*, May.
4. S.L. Shetty, 2007, —India's Savings Performance since the Advent of Planning, in K.L. Krishna and A. Vaidyanathan, editors, *Institutions and Markets in India's Development*.
5. Himanshu, 2010, —Towards New Poverty Lines for India, *Economic and Political Weekly*, January.
6. Jean Dreze and Angus Deaton, 2009, —Food and Nutrition in India: Facts and Interpretations, *Economic and Political Weekly*, February.
7. Himanshu. 2011, —Employment Trends in India: A Re-examination, *Economic and Political Weekly*, September.
8. Rama Baru et al, 2010, —Inequities in Access to Health Services in India: Caste, Class and Region, *Economic and Political Weekly*, September.
9. Geeta G. Kingdon, 2007, —The Progress of School Education in India, *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*.
10. J.B.G. Tilak, 2007, —Post Elementary Education, Poverty and Development in India, *International Journal of Educational Development*.
11. T. Dyson, 2008, —India's Demographic Transition and its Consequences for Development in Uma Kapila, editor, *Indian Economy Since Independence*, 19th edition, Academic Foundation.
12. Kaushik Basu, 2009, —China and India: Idiosyncratic Paths to High Growth, *Economic and Political Weekly*, September.
13. K. James, 2008, —Glorifying Malthus: Current Debate on Demographic Dividend in India, *Economic and Political Weekly*, June.
14. Reetika Khera, 2011, —India's Public Distribution System: Utilisation and Impact *Journal of Development Studies*.
15. Aniruddha Krishna and Devendra Bajpai, 2011, —Lineal Spread and Radial Dissipation: Experiencing Growth in Rural India, 1992-2005, *Economic and Political Weekly*, September.
16. Kaushik Basu and A. Maertens, eds, 2013, *Oxford Companion to Economics*, Oxford University Press.
17. Bimal Jalan (ed), *The Indian Economy Problems and Prospects*, Penguin Books Ltd.

18. Arvind Subramanian, *India's Turn Understanding The Economic Transformation*, Oxford University Press.

19. Kaushik Basu, *India's Emerging Economy Performance and Prospects in the 1990's and Beyond*, Oxford University Press.