

Semester VI
B.A. (Honours) Economics
DSE 10 (Group-II): THE ECONOMY OF NORTH-EAST INDIA (6 Credits)
Full marks: 100 (Mid Term-20 + End Term-80)

Course Description

The objective of this course is to acquaint the learners with the characteristics as well as with the current issues of the economy of North-East India. The learners will also be able to know the performance and problems of the primary, secondary and tertiary sectors of North-East India.

Units		No of Lecture Hours	No of Tutorial Hours	Marks
1.	Economic Characteristics of North East India: Resources of the Region– Mineral, Forest and Water resources, Human resources – Trends in population growth, Composition of population, Distribution of the population, Population density, Migration of population, Urbanisation, Occupational distribution.	15	3	16
2.	Agriculture: Trends and Pattern of Production – Land use, Agricultural holdings and Cropping pattern, Food production and Food security, Horticulture, Sericulture, Jhum Cultivation, Modernisation of agriculture, Sustainable agriculture.	15	3	16
3.	Industry: Problems and prospects of Industrial development of NE region, Organised Industries - Role of Tea, Oil and Coal industries; Micro, small and medium industries, Food Processing, Handloom and handicrafts; Tourism.	15	3	16
4.	Infrastructure: Economic Infrastructure of the region – Roadways, Railways, Waterways, Airways; Communication; Energy Sector; Financial Institutions; The Role of North Eastern Council; Social Infrastructures- Education and Health.	15	3	16
5.	Developmental issues of the Region: Human Resource Development – Poverty and Unemployment; Flood and erosion problem, Problems of Agricultural labourers – disguised unemployment; Border Area Development. Act East policy	15	3	16
Total		75	15	80

Reading List:

1. B. Dutta Roy; *Social and Economic Profile of N.E. India*, Omsons, New Delhi
2. NEC: (a) Basic Statistics of N.E. Region, 1980-85
(b) Towards Regional Development: Plans and Perspective
3. NCEAR: Techno Economic Surveys of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland
4. P. Nayak, *Growth and Human Development in Northeast India*, OUP
5. North Eastern Region Vision 2020, NEC, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region
6. NEDFi, Databank
7. Bordoloi and Neog, *Economy of the North-East*, LBS Publication
8. P.K. Dhar, *The Economy of Assam Including Economy of North-East India*, Kalyani Publisher.
9. NEC data bank