

Category III

Economics Courses for Undergraduate Programme of study with Economics as one of the Core Disciplines

(B.A. Programmes with Economics as non-Major or Minor discipline)

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -6 (DSC-6): Indian Growth and Development

Course title & Code	Credits	Duration (per week)			Eligibility Criteria	Prerequisite
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Indian Growth and Development – ECON018	4	3	1	0	Class 12th	NIL

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- Using appropriate analytical frameworks, this course reviews major trends in economic indicators of macro and development issues and policy debates in India in the post-Independence period, with particular emphasis on paradigm shifts and turning points.
- This course intends to give an introduction to students as to how they could explore problems related to the Indian economy by familiarizing them with the research studies on areas relating to economic development and policy in India with an emphasis on contemporary debates.

Learning outcomes

The Learning outcomes of this course are as follows:

- The students should be able to understand the development paradigm adopted in India since independence and evaluate its impact on economic as well as social indicators of progress.
- The students will acquire ability to explore current policy debates and contribute to policy making in an informed way using relevant databases.

Syllabus

UNIT I: Economic Growth since Independence (12 hours)

Major features of the economy at independence; growth under different policy regimes—goals, constraints, institutions and policy framework; an assessment of performance—sustainability and regional contrasts; structural change, savings and investment

UNIT II: Sectoral Performances and Concerns (12 hours)

Issues in agriculture, industry and services.

UNIT III: Inclusive Growth - trends and patterns, Distributional Issues and Policies Demography, Poverty and Unemployment (9 hours)

UNIT IV: Economic Policies and their Impact (12 hours)

Evolution of macroeconomic framework applied in Indian economy and its impact, fiscal policy; financial and monetary policies; trade and investment policy, five-year plans

Recommended readings

- Ahluwalia, M. S. (2019), “India’s economic reforms: Achievements and Next Steps”,
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- Chanda, R. (2019), India’s Services Sector; trends, opportunities and challenges, in Uma Kapila (ed.), *Indian economy-2: Macroeconomic policies, Sectoral Developments and Performance*.
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- Rakesh Mohan, (2019), *Moving India to a new Growth Trajectory: Need for a Comprehensive Big Push*, Brookings India, Section 1 and 2, 9-30.
- Jagdish Bhagwati and Arvind Panagariya, (2012), *India’s Tryst with Destiny*, Collins Business, Noida, pp. 4-5, 32-38.
- Panagariya A (2020), *India Unlimited: Reclaiming the Lost Glory*, Chapter 2.
- Jean Dreze and Amartya Sen, (2013), *India: An Uncertain Glory*, Allen Lane, chapters 2, 3 (pp. 72-80 only).
- Kumar, R., & Patibandla, M. (2009). *Institutional dynamics and the evolution of the Indian economy*, Springer.
- McCartney, M. (2019). *The Indian Economy*. Agenda Publishing Limited.
- Goyal, A. (Ed.). (2019). *A Concise Handbook of the Indian Economy in the 21st Century*. Oxford University Press.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.