

Generic Elective (GE-23): Health and Development

Semester	Course title & Code	Credits	Duration (per week)			Eligibility Criteria	Prerequisite
			Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
IV/VI/VIII	Health and Development – ECON073	4	3	1	0	Class 12th Pass	NIL

Course Objectives:

- This course deals with the interface between the health and development, both monetary and non-monetary terms.
- It identifies how health care markets differ from other goods and services, the unique role of health insurance for health equity.
- The course address how medical spending has evolved over time, role of state and institution for delivering health care services.
- It also covers the various strategies address by the nation and international organisations for ensuring health care and better life.

Course Learning Outcomes:

- The students will be able to understand economic dimensions of health services, determinants of health care, role of state and institution, policies relating to health equity and strategies to deal with communicable and non-communicable diseases

Course Outline:

Unit 1 : Health, Wealth, and Welfare; Utility and Health; Causes and Consequences of Regional Variations in Health Care (9 hours)

Unit 2 : Health expenditure

Health Care Spending Growth; The Transformation of Medical Care to Health; The Demand for Medical Care; out-pocket expenditure (9 hours)

Unit 3 : Health Insurance (9 hours)

Externalities in Health and Medical Care; The Demand for Health Insurance; Health Insurance Supply and Managed Care; Government Provision of Health Insurance; Universal Insurance Issues and International Comparisons of Health Care Systems; managing market (9 hours)

Unit 4 : Economics and mental health (9 hours)

Unit 5 : Health Systems (9 hours)

International health systems and Indian experiences, and health care financing.

Suggested Readings: Following is the suggested list of books/papers, which can be updated with more recent papers as and when they become available.

Main Textbooks

- Deaton, A. (2007). Height, health, and development. Proceedings of the national academy of sciences, 104(33), 13232-13237.
- IMF (2004), Health and Development, <https://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/health/eng/hdwi/h>
- Satpathy SK, Bansal RD. Health economics—concepts and conceptual problems. HealthPopulPerspectIssues.1982Jan-Mar;5(1):23-33.PMID:10310083.
- Frank, R. G., & McGuire, T. G. (2000). Economics and mental health. Handbook of health economics, 1, 893-954.

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