

ANDHRA KESARI UNIVERSITY
with effect from Academic Year 2023-24
MINOR
ECONOMICS

Program Objective: This program is to impart the basic knowledge and skills among the students in the field of economics as minor subjects

Program Outcomes:

PO 1: Learn basic concepts, principles and theories in economics

PO 2: Analyse issues in current economy at different levels

PO 3: Acquire employability and research skills in the field of economics

PAPER TITLES FOR ECONOMICS MINOR

Sem	Paper	Minor	Credits	Hours
II	1	Microeconomics	4	4
III	2	Macroeconomics	4	4
IV	3	India and A.P Economy	4	4
	4	Statistics for Economics	4	4

2. MACROECONOMICS

Course Objective: This course is to learn about basic concepts, principles and theories in Macroeconomics to understand the functioning of a macro economy.

Course Learning Outcomes:

After studying this course, the student shall be able to achieve the following outcomes:

- CO1:** Explain the functioning a macro economy with its inter-linkages and measure and analyse the national income of the country
- CO2:** Analyse the Classical and Keynes theories of employment and its application in current Economy
- CO3:** Explain the importance of money and banking along with their functions
Analyse RBI policies
- CO4:** Analyse causes and evaluate the measures to control inflation and trade cycles in the economy
- CO5:** Evaluate the macroeconomic policy targets

Unit - 1: Introduction to Macroeconomics and National Income

- Macroeconomics: Definition, Scope and Importance; Macroeconomic Variable: Stock and Flow
- Circular Flow of Income: Two, Three and Four Sector Models
- National Income: Definition, Concepts, Importance
- Measurement of National Income and Difficulties

Unit -2: Theories of Employment, Consumption and Investment

- Classical Theory of Employment: Assumptions, Say's Law of Market, Pigou's Wage-Price Flexibility, Classical Model, Criticism
- Consumption: Factors, Consumption Function, Keynes' Psychological Law of Consumption
- Investment: Types, Factors, Investment Function; Marginal Efficiency of Capital, Multiplier and Accelerator
- Keynesian Theory of Employment: Assumption, Concepts and Model

Unit – 3: Money and Banking

- Money: Definition, Types, Functions; RBI classification of Money
- Theories of Money: Fisher and Cambridge
- Banking: Definition, Types, Importance, Functions; NBFCs

- Central Bank: Objectives, Functions, Monetary Policy

Unit – 4: Inflation and Trade Cycles

- Inflation: Meaning, Types, Importance, Measurement
- Causes, Consequences and Controlling of Inflation
- Inflation vs Unemployment, Phillip's Curve
- Trade Cycles: Phases, Causes and Controlling Measures

Unit -5: Financial Market and Macroeconomic Policies

- Financial Markets: Types, Instruments, Functions
- Stock Market: Functions, Indices Sensex and Nifty
- Macroeconomic Policy: Targets, Indicators and Instruments; Fiscal Policy and Crowding-Out Effect
- Neo-classical and Keynesian Synthesis: IS-LM Basic Model

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1. Macroeconomic Analysis, Bilingual Textbook, APSCHE
2. H. L. Ahuja, Advanced Economic Theory, S. Chand, 2004
3. P. N. Chopra, Macroeconomics, Kalyani Publishers, Ludhiana, 2014.
4. D. M. Mithani, Macro Economic Analysis and Policy, Himalaya Publications, New Delhi
5. Telugu Academy Publications on Macroeconomics
6. Macroeconomics, Dr. Br. Ambedkar Open University Material
7. Macroeconomics, IGNOU Material

Suggested Activities:

Unit-1: Practical Exercise on national income measurement

Unit-2: Group discussion on application of classical and Keynesian employment theories to current economics

Unit-3: Field visit to commercial bank and submit a report

Unit-4: Assignment on current measures to control inflation

Unit-5: Quiz on financial markets and debate on monetary vs fiscal policy

3.INDIA AND A.P ECONOMY

Course Objective: This course is to provide basic understanding about functioning of various aspects in Indian economy and analyse various issues and problems and suggest measures.

Course Learning Outcomes:

After studying this paper, the students shall be able to achieve the following outcomes:

- CO1:** Explain the basic characteristics, structural changes, planning and human development in Indian economy
- CO2:** Analyse the changes in incomes, demography and the developmental issues such as poverty, inequality, unemployment and migration and suggest measures to address them
- CO3:** Examine the components of agricultural and industrial sectors and their performance
- CO4:** Examine the issues in public finance in terms of taxes, revenues, deficits and finance commission
- CO5:** Analyse the issues in Andhra Pradesh economy related to agriculture, industry and welfare programs

Unit 1: Basic Features, Planning and Human Development in India

- Basic characteristics of Indian Economy as a developing economy
- Economic development since independence, Economic Structure and its changes in India
- Planning Commission: Objectives, major strategies and achievements; NITI Ayog its approaches to economic transformation in India
- Trends in Human Development Index in India and Measures to Improve

Unit 2: National Income, Demography and Developmental Issues

- Trends in National income; Demographic Features
- Poverty and Inequalities; Occupational Structure and Unemployment
- Various Schemes of employment generation and eradication of poverty
- Issues in Rural and Urban Development; Labour Migration: Challenges and Measures

Unit 3: Agricultural and Industrial Developments

- Indian Agriculture: Agricultural Reforms, Agricultural Strategies and Agricultural Policy
- Agricultural Credit; Agricultural Price Policy & MSP
- Indian Industry: Economic Reforms and New Industrial Policy
- Industrial Development Programs: Make-in India, Start-up, Stand-up, Industrial Corridors

Unit-4 Indian Public Finance

- Indian Tax System and Recent changes ; GST and its impact on Commerce and Industry
- Centre, States Financial relations; Recommendations of Recent Finance Commission
- Fiscal Policy: Status and Issues in Public Expenditure and Public Revenue
- Status and Issues in Public Debt and Budget Deficits; Analysis of Latest Budget

Unit- 5 Andhra Pradesh Economy

- Basic characteristics of Andhra Pradesh economy after bifurcation in 2014; Impact of bifurcation on the Economy
- Challenges in industrial Development and new initiatives
- Challenges in Agriculture and Rural Development and new Initiatives
- Social Welfare Programmes and other measures to address Issues of Poverty and Unemployment; Skill Development Initiatives

References:

1. Dhingra, I.C., Indian Economy, Sultan Chand, New Delhi, 2014.
2. Gaurav Datt and Ashwani Mahajan, Datt and Sundharam's Indian Economy, S.Chand& Co., 2016
3. G. M. Meier, Leading Issues in Economic Development, Oxford University Press, New York,
4. P. K. Dhar, Indian Economy: Its Growing Dimensions, Kalyani Publishers, Ludhiana, 2018.
5. Reserve Bank of India, Handbook of Statistics on Indian Economy (Latest).
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7. A.P Economy- Telugu Academy, 2018
8. Economic Surveys

Suggested Activities:

Unit-1: Assignments on features and structural changes of Indian economy

Unit-2: Group Project on issues of poverty, unemployment and inequality and make suggestions

Unit-3: Quiz on Agriculture and Industrial sectors

Unit-4: Group discussions to issues of taxation, public expenditure, Public debt, budget

Unit-5: Seminar topics in AP economy and field visits to industry or agriculture in local area submit a report

4. STATISTICAL METHODS FOR ECONOMICS

Course Objectives: The course teaches students the basics of statistics with a special focus on its day-to-day applications in economics. It sets a necessary foundation for the econometrics courses and courses in advanced microeconomic theory within the Honours programme.

Course Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the student is expected to demonstrate the following cognitive abilities and psychomotor skills:

- CO1:** Understand the nature of statistics and able to collect data using questionnaire
- CO2:** Draws critical diagrams and graphs for presentation of data
- CO3:** Calculates and Analyses Averages and Dispersions using given data and information
- CO4:** Explains the uses of correlation and regression analysis, time series and index numbers in economic analysis.
- CO5:** Calculate index numbers

Unit – 1: Introduction to Statistics

- Nature and Definition of Statistics, scope, importance and limitations of Statistics
- Primary and Secondary data
- Census and Sampling techniques and their merits and demerits
- Schedule and questionnaire, Collection of data
- Applications in economics

Unit – 2: Diagrammatic Analysis

- Data: Meaning and Types; Frequency distribution
- Tabulation, Graphical presentation of data: Line graph, Histogram, Frequency Polygon, Cumulative Frequency Curves
- Diagrammatic presentation of data: Line, Bar, Pie Diagrams
- MS.Excel for Diagrammatic Analysis; Applications in economics

Unit – 3: Measures of Central Tendency and Dispersion

- Averages: Arithmetic Mean, Median, Mode, Geometric Mean, Harmonic Mean
- Dispersion: Range, Quartile Deviation, Mean Deviation, Standard Deviation, Coefficient of Variation
- MS.Excel for Measures of Central Tendency and Dispersion; Applications in economics

Unit – 4: Correlation and Regression

- Correlation: Concept, Definition and Use
- Types of Correlation: Karl Pearson's Correlation coefficient, Spearman's Rank Correlation
- Regression: Concept, Definition, Use, Regression Equations, Demand forecasting
- MS Excel for Correlation and Regression; Applications in economics

Unit – 5: Time Series and Index Numbers

- Time Series: Definition and Components; Measurement of Time Series: Moving Average and the Least Squares Method
- Index Numbers: Concepts of Price and Quantity Relatives, Laspeyer's, Paasche's and Fisher's Ideal Index Numbers
- Uses and Limitations of Index Numbers
- MS Excel for Index Numbers; Applications in economics

References:

- a. B. R. Bhat, T. Srivenkataramana and K.S. MadhavaRao (1996): Statistics: A Beginner's Text, Vol. I, New Age International (P) Ltd
- b. Goon A.M, Gupta M.K., Das Gupta B. (1991), Fundamentals of Statistics, Vol. I, World Press, Calcutta.
- c. M. R. Spiegel (1989): Schaum's Outline of Theory and Problems in Statistics, Schaum's Outline Series.
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- e. Telugu Akademy Book, ParimanathmakaPaddathulu (For B.A.).

Suggested Activities:

Unit-1: Assignments of the application of various statistical methods

Unit-2: Student Seminar on themes requiring usage of tables, diagrams, statistical analysis and interpretation

Unit-3: Group project work for collection of data on locally relevant economic problems

Unit-4: Exercise on calculation of correlation and regression using Excel.

Unit-5: Chart Preparation on formulas of different index numbers.