## **Minutes of Meeting**

Subject :	Skill Enhancement Course	
Course :	Understanding the Economic Survey & Budget	
Date of Meeting :	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> August, 2018, 2.30 P.M.	
Venue :	Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics	
	University of Delhi, Delhi – 110 007	
Chair :	College Teachers	

Attended by:

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1	Gautam Kr. Jha	PGDAV (E)
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15	Navpreet Kaur	JDMC
16	Shilpa Chaudhary	JDMC
17	Sangeeta Meena	DSC(M)
18	Gurdeep Kaur	Lakshmibai College
19	Poonam Bamel	IP College
20	Tanushree Dash	Kamala Nehru College
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#### **UNION BUDGET**

## 1. (a)Key to budget documents :

http://indiabudget.nic.in/ub2017-18/keybud/keybud2017.pdf

## (b) Budget at a glance :

Suggested changes: The documents have been updated for Union Budget 2018-19

Key to budget documents: Budget at a glance: <u>https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/ub2018-19/bag/bag1.pdf</u> Details of receipts: <u>https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/ub2018-19/bag/bag5.pdf</u> Details of expenditure: <u>https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/ub2018-19/bag/bag6.pdf</u>

Key features of the budget: Proposed change: *Here, the relevant document hasn't been released on the Union Budget website. So, the suggested document for this portion is:* Pg 1-3 of <u>PIB Highlights of the Budget 2018-19</u> released on 1st February 2018

2. Let's Talk About Budget. Centre for Budget and Governance Accountability. Chapters 4 to 6. Union Budget of India, Making of Union Budget, What does Union Budget papers look like? This text can be downloaded from http://www.cbgaindia.org/primers-manual/lets-talk-about- budget/

3. Economic and social classification of budget \*( for teachers only)

http://finmin.nic.in/reports/FunClass201516.pdf

4. Dhillion, amrita (2011): p (2011) Fiscal Federalism in K Basu and A Maertens (ed) The Concise Oxford Companion to Economics in India.

5.PRS summary of 14<sup>th</sup> finance commission : <u>http://www.prsindia.org/parliamenttrack/report-</u> <u>summaries/fourteenth-finance-commission-report-4075/</u>

# **ECONOMIC SURVEY:**

1.GST issues:

Economic survey 2016-17 : volume 2, Chapter  $1 \rightarrow \text{topic } 1.6 \text{ to } 1.27 \text{ (pg } 2 \text{ to } 6)$ 

Proposed addition: *We wish to <u>add</u> the impact of GST on different schemes and sectors given in the recent Economic Survey* Economic Survey 2017-18: Volume 2 Chapter 2 Annexure 1 (Pg 35-39)

# Teachers are encouraged to explain about GST and its basic framework as an introduction to this topic.

# 2. Twin balance sheet problem in India:

Proposed change: Twin Balance sheet problem has not been elaborated upon in this survey. So, that portion may not be included. But we suggest a separate portion on the IBC code, 2016 which has been implemented to speed up the resolution of failing companies (which was the root cause of Twin Balance Sheet problem)

Economic Survey 2017-18: Volume 2 Chapter 3 'Monetary Management and Financial Intermediation' Page 48 (Section 3.9-3.10) ; Box 3.1 (Pg 50) ; Box 3.2 (Pg 52)

# 3. Prices and inflation issues in India :

Proposed change: The topics are the same and we have only replaced it with the updated trends published in the survey

Economic Survey 2017-18 Volume 2 Chapter 4 (Pg 56-61) & (Pg 66-67)

#### 4. State of the economy :

Proposed change: Last year's syllabus had the explanation of the 'Paradigm shift to low inflation'. This year the Economic Survey explains a different unique trend called 'Decoupling of Indian Economy with the rest of the world'. So, we suggest the following portion: Economic Survey 2017-18, Volume 1, Chapter 1 Section 1.44- 1.52 i.e. (Pg 14-18)

## 5. External trade

Proposed change: *The topics are the same and we have only replaced it with the updated recent trends* Economic Survey 2017-18 Volume 2 Chapter 6 [(Section 6.1-6.19) + Table 5,6 (Pg 89-90)]

## 6. Climate change

Proposed change: Here again, we found the relevant portions in the 2017-18 survey for the topics given in the last year's syllabus

Economic Survey 2017-18 Volume 2 Chapter 5

#### Evaluation

The SEC course on Understanding **Economic Survey and Union Budget** will have 75 marks examination at the end of the semester and 25 marks for internal assessment. Apart from the 5 marks for attendance, the rest of the 20 marks shall be for the written project which shall be presented in the class (written project + presentation). The project shall be related to issues in the Economic Survey and Union Budget with related articles in this regard.

## End Semester Examination of 75 marks (Three Hours)

#### The paper shall have three sections.

Section A is compulsory. It shall have two questions with sub-parts. The first would test the understanding of the student on the concepts related to the budget, and the second on the basis of the balance of payments chart. Both shall be through a set of short questions as well as simple numericals to be answered on the basis of the data provided. (Max Marks 20)

Section B shall have eight questions out of which the student shall attempt **five**. The answers shall be of not more than 400 words. Each question carries 8 marks each. (Max Marks 40)

Section C shall have a long answer question where the student has to attempt **one out of the three** questions. (Max Marks 15)