Minutes of Meeting

Subject: B.A. (Hons) Economics
Core Economics Course: 9 (Intermediate Macroeconomics-II)
Date of Meeting: 9 January, 2018; 3 pm
Venue: Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics
Convenor: Dr. Mausumi Das

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The following texts were agreed upon:

Readings:


Note: A new textbook (*Branson*) has been introduced for Topic 2, sections A & C. Since the new textbook is much more detailed, the number of lectures for this topic also has also been increased to 30.

**Topic wise Readings:**

1. **Economic Growth**  
   (Approx. number of lectures: 12)  
   Harrod model; Solow model; golden rule; technonological progress and elements of endogenous growth.

   **Readings:**  
   1. A. Sen (ed.): *Growth Economics*, Introduction, pages 9-14 only. *(Notice: book out of print. Scanned copy of the relevant pages will be made available at the DSE website)*  
   2. Mankiw: *Macroeconomics* (6th ed.), Ch.s 7 & 8  
   3. Jones: *Introduction to Economics Growth* (2nd ed.), Ch.s 4 & 5*

   (* For the R&D based growth models, Chapter 5 of Jones may be supplemented by the following reading:  

2. **Microeconomic Foundations**  
   (Approx. number of lectures: 30)

   **A. Consumption**  
   Keynesian consumption function; fisher’s theory of optimal intertemporal choice; life-cycle and permanent income hypotheses; rational expectations and random-walk of consumption expenditure.

   **Readings:**  

   **B. Investment**  
   Determinants of business fixed investment; residential investment and inventory investment.

   **Readings:**  
C. Demand for Money
Interest sensitivity of money demand function; Baumol’s, Tobin’s and Friedman’s approach to money demand.

Readings:

3. Fiscal and Monetary Policy
(Approx. number of lectures: 12)
Active or passive; monetary policy objectives and targets; rules versus discretion: time consistency; the government budget constraint; government debt and Ricardian equivalence, Finance Systems & Regulation of Financial sectors; Financial Crises & Regulatory response.

Readings:

4. Schools of Macroeconomic Thoughts
(Approx. number of lectures: 6)
Classicals; Keynesians; New-Classicals and New-Keynesians.

Readings:

Assessment:
1. The internal evaluation will consist of two class tests of 10 marks each, with 5 marks being allocated for attendance.
2. The End-semester Examination (75 marks) will have the following format:
The question paper should have total five questions (of equal marks) with the following distribution across topics: 1 question from topic 1, 2 questions from topics 2A, 2B and 2C together, 1 question from topics 3 and 4 together and 1 question from any of topics 1, 2, 3 or 4.