Generic Elective in Economics III(a): Indian Economy-I

Minutes of Meeting

Subject: Generic Elective – Third Semester

Course: Indian Economy-I Generic Elective in Economics III(a)

Date of Meeting: Tuesday 21st August, 2018, 2.30 P.M.

Venue: Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics

University of Delhi, Delhi – 110 007

Chair: Prof. Aditya Bhattacharjea/Prof. J.V. Meenakshi

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19	Sangeeta	Dyal Singh College (M)
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Course Description

Using appropriate analytical frameworks, this course reviews major trends in economic indicators and policy debates in India in the post-Independence period, with particular emphasis on paradigm shifts and turning points.

Course Outline

1. Economic Development since Independence

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

2. Population and Human Development

Demographic trends and issues; education; health and malnutrition.

3. Growth and Distribution

Trends and policies in poverty; inequality and unemployment.

4. International Comparisons

Readings:

- 1. Jean Dreze and Amartya Sen, 2013. *An Uncertain Glory: India and its Contradictions*, Princeton University Press, Ch. 2 & 3.
- 2. Pulapre Balakrishnan, 2007, The Recovery of India: Economic Growth in the Nehru Era, *Economic and Political Weekly*, November.
- 3. Rakesh Mohan, 2014, *Pressing the Indian Growth Accelerator: Policy Imperatives*, IMF papers
- 4. Economic Survey, 2017-18, Ch. 3*
- 5. Rama Baru et al, 2010, -Inequities in Access to Health Services in India: Caste, Class and Region, *Economic and Political Weekly*, September.
- 6. Vijay Joshi, 2016, *India's Long Road: The Search for Prosperity*, Allen Lane, Gurgaon, Ch 9.
- 7. S. Kapur and Mamta Murthi, 'Literacy' in Basu and Maertens (eds)
- 8. J. Dreze, "Food and Nutrition" in Basu and Maertens (eds)
- 9. J.J. Thomas, 2012, "India's Labour Market During the 2000s" EPW, December
- 10. Ajit Mishra & Indranil Dutta, 2012, Ïnequality", in Basu and Maertens (eds)
- 11. T. Dyson, 2008, -'India's Demographic Transition and its Consequences for Development', in Uma Kapila, editor, *Indian Economy Since Independence*, 25th edition, Academic Foundation.
- 12. Kaushik Basu, 2009, -China and India: Idiosyncratic Paths to High Growth, *Economic and Political Weekly*, September.
- 13. Kaushik Basu and A. Maertens, eds, 2013, New *Oxford Companion to Economics*, Oxford University Press.

Examination Pattern: Students would be expected to answer any five out of eight questions.