# DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS DELHI SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

# Minutes of Meeting

Subject: B.A. Programme Fifth Semester

Course: 05 - Economic Development and Policy in India I

Date of Meeting: 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

Venue: Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics

University of Delhi, Delhi – 110 007

Chair: Prof. Aditya Bhattacharjea

## Attended by:

| S. No. | Name of Teacher      | College                  |
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| 1      | Kittu Kapoor         | Mata Sundari college (w) |
| 2      | Gagan Pahwa          | Vivekananda College      |
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| 8      | Shikha Singh         | DRC                      |
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| 10     | C. Saratchand        | Satyawati                |
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## **Course Description**

This course reviews major trends in aggregate economic indicators in India and places these against the backdrop of major policy debates in India in the post-independence period.

#### **Course Outline**

## 1. Issues in Growth, Development and Sustainability

Todaro and Smith, Ch 1, 2; Dreze and Sen Chs. 2 & 3.

# 2. Factors in Development

Capital formation (physical and human); technology; institutions. Todaro and Smith, Ch 1, 2, Kapila (2015), Ch 6.

## 3. Population and Economic Development

Demographic trends; urbanization. Kapila (2015), Ch 6, 7\*.

### 4. Employment

Occupational structure in the organized and unorganized sectors; open, under and disguised unemployment (rural and urban); employment schemes and their impact. Kapila (2015), Ch 19.

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# 5. Indian Development Experience

Critical evaluation of growth, inequality, poverty and competitiveness, pre and post reform era; Kapila (2015), Ch 3, 15.

Savings and investment; Kapila (2015), Ch 11, 12.

Mobilisation of internal and external finance; Kapila (2009), Ch 8.

Monetary and fiscal policies; Kapila (2015), Ch 5.

Centre-state financial relations; 14th Finance Commission Report

Starred chapters (\*) are optional and advanced reading material.

For the 100 marks paper, there would be

- 75 marks : University Exam (Any 5 out of 8 questions)
- 25 marks: Internal Assessment (5 marks are for attendance and 20 marks for two class tests of 10 marks each)

### Readings

- 1. Michael P. Todaro and Stephen Smith: *Economic Development*, Pearson, 11<sup>th</sup> edition (2011).
- 2. Dreze & Sen (2013): An Uncertain Glory.
- 3. Uma Kapila: *India Economy Since Independence*, Academic Foundation, 26<sup>th</sup> edition (2015).
- 4. Uma Kapila: Economic Development and Policy in India, 2009.
- United Nations Development Programme: Human Development Report 2010, Palgrave Macmillan (2010).
- 6. Government of India: Economic Survey (latest).
- 7. Government of India: Finance Commission Report (latest).

NOTE: Examination questions will be based on the above readings only.