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DELHI SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

Minutes of the Meeting

Subject	:	B.A. (Hons.) Generic Elective Economics 4 th Sem.
Course	:	4c Public Finance
Date of Meetings	:	15 th January 2020
Venue	:	Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi
Chair	:	Prof. Ram Singh

Attended by:

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A meeting of the Course Committee was held on January 15, 2020. The readings were discussed in view of the LOCF scheme.

Notes:

1. Internal Assessment: There will be two tests of 10 marks each and 5 marks will be allotted for attendance. Alternatively, it can be one test worth 10 marks and one presentation according to pre-announced schedule of presentation worth 10 marks, and 5 marks will be allotted for attendance.
2. Examination Pattern:
 - a) Part I : Public Finance Theory: 60% weightage
 - b) Part II : Issues from Indian Public Finance : 40% weightage

c) Students will be required to answer 3 out of 5 questions from Part A and 2 out of 3 questions from Part B.

3. For latest development trends, refer to Govt. of India, Ministry of Finance, Economic Survey (recent), Chapter 1, 2 and 3. Available at: <http://indiabudget.nic.in>

Topic – wise revised reading list for 2020. It was decided that the following readings will be followed for the course under the LOCF scheme.

PART – A : PUBLIC FINANCE THEORY

Unit- 1 Overview of Fiscal functions, Tools of Normative Analysis, Pareto Efficiency, Equity and the Social Welfare.

1. R.A. Musgrave and P.B. Musgrave , Public Finance in Theory and Practice, 5th Edition, Chapter 1
2. Harvey Rosen (2005), Public Finance, Chapter 3 (pp 33 to 46)

Unit -2 Market Failure, Public Goods and Externalities.

1. Joseph E. Stiglitz, Economics of the Public Sector, 3rd Edition, Chapter 4.
2. John Cullis and Philip Jones (1998), Public Finance and Public Choice, Chapter 3 (sec.- 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3)
3. Harvey Rosen (2005): Public Finance, Chapter – 5.

Unit – 3 Elementary Theories of Product and Factor Taxation (Excess Burden and Incidence)

1. R.A. Musgrave and P.B. Musgrave , Public Finance in Theory and Practice, 5th Edition, Chapter 14 (pp 234-242), Chapter – 15 (pp 249-256 only part A and B).

Unit – 4 Working of Monetary and Fiscal Policies

1. Case and Fair, Principles of Economics, 10th Edition, Chapter 24 (pp 478-486).
2. Case and Fair, Principles of Economics, 10th Edition, Chapter 25 (pp 501-502, 505-510, 515-519)
3. Economic Survey, See part B (Unit 1)

PART – B : ISSUES FROM INDIAN PUBLIC FINANCE

Unit – 1 Current Issues of India's Fiscal and Monetary Policies

1. Report of the Fourteenth Finance Commission, Chapter 14 (pp178- 201)
2. Mukherjee, Sachidananda, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, working paper no. 2015 154, September 2015.
3. Economic Survey 2018-19 Volume II, Chapter-1 (State of the Economy in 2018-19: A Macro View), Chapter-2 (Fiscal Developments), Chapter-3 (Monetary Management and Financial Intermediation)

Unit – 2 Goods and Services Tax

1. Working of the GST – An introduction
2. Economic Survey Chapter-2 Annexure I (Status of implementation of GST)

Unit – 3 Analysis of Budget and Deficits

1. Report of the Fourteenth Finance Commission, Chapter 3 (pp 21- 24)
2. Budget at a Glance 2019-2020, Macroeconomic Framework Statement 2019-20

Unit – 4 Fiscal Federalism in India

1. Y. V. Reddy, “Fourteenth Finance Commission, Continuity, Change and Way Forward” EPW, Vol.50, Issue No.21, 23 May 2015
2. Report of the Fourteenth Finance Commission, Chapter 12.
3. Report of the Committee on Fiscal Statistics, September 2018 from National Statistical Commission, Government of India. Chapter-1: Fiscal Data System in India: Key Issues. Chapter-2: Sources of Fiscal Statistics: Aggregation and Coordination

Unit – 5 State and Local Finances

1. Report of the Fourteenth Finance Commission, Chapter 7(7.1-7.8, 7.42-7.47) and 9 (9.1-9.28, 9.45-9.86).

Readings:

The reading “Purohit, Mahesh 2007” is dropped and replaced with the following readings. (Use only the relevant parts)

1. A Sarvar Allam, GST and the States: Sharing Tax Administration, EPW, Vol. 51, Issue No. 31, 30 Jul, 2016
2. Surajit Das, Some Concerns Regarding the Goods and Services Tax, Vol. 52, Issue No. 9, 04 Mar, 2017

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3. Jayanta Roy Chowdhary, "Balancing Federal Fiscal Relations" August 2017 issue of Yojana