# UNIVERSITY OF DELHI DELHI SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

# **Minutes of Meeting**

Subject: B.A. (Hons) Economics Third Semester

Course: ECON008 - Intermediate Macroeconomics I: Foundations of Aggregate Income

**Determination (Honours course only)** 

Credits: 4

Duration (per week): 4 hours (3 L + 1 T)

Date: Thursday 8th August 2023

Venue: Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi

**Convenor: Dibyendu Maiti** 

Attended by:

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# **Reading List**

Topic	Readings				
UNIT I: Short-run and medium-run equilibrium (12 lectures)					
The labour market, Wage determination; wages, prices, and unemployment; natural rate of unemployment; from employment to output	Blanchard, Ch. 6 p. 117-138				
Derivation of aggregate supply curve, Interaction of aggregate demand and supply to determine equilibrium output, price level and employment	Blanchard, Ch. 7 p. 139-163				
UNIT II: Philips curve and theory of expectations (15 lectures)					
Inflation, unemployment and expectations, Phillips Curve	Blanchard, Ch. 8-9 p. 165-202; Ch 14 p. 292-294, 300-308				
Adaptive and rational expectations; policy ineffectiveness debate	Attfield, Demery and Duck, p. 6-9, 18-28; Sheffrin p. 34-40				
UNIT III: Microeconomic foundations of macroeconomic behaviours (18 lectures)					
Consumption: Keynesian consumption function; Fisher's theory of optimal intertemporal choice; life- cycle and permanent income hypotheses; other theories of consumption expenditure.	Branson, p. 239-264 (excluding the section on Permanent Income and Adaptive Expectations), 268-273 (excluding the section on Choice Structure and Disequilibrium)				
Investment: determinants of business fixed investment; residential investment and inventory investment.	Jones, Ch. 17, p. 470-495				

# Readings

- 1. Blanchard, O. (2006). Macroeconomics, 4th ed. Pearson Education.
- 2. C.L.F. Attfield, D. Demery and N.W. Duck (1991), Rational Expectations in Macroeconomics: An Introduction to Theory and Evidence, 2e.
- 3. Sheffrin, Steve (1996), Rational Expectations, 3e, Cambridge University Press
- 4. Jones, Charles (2018), Macroeconomics, 4e, W W Norton & Co.
- 5. Branson, William H (2005), Macroeconomic Theory and Policy, 3e, East-West Press.

#### Assessment:

## 1. Semester-end Examination: 90 marks

The question paper will have roughly equal weightage from all three units. The paper will consist of three sections of 30 marks each:

- Section A will have 15 MCQs/one-line-answer questions of 2 marks each, with no choice of any kind.
- In Section B students will be required to do any 6 out 8 questions of 5 marks each.
- In Section C students will be required to do any 3 out of 4 questions of 10 marks each.

## 2. Internal Assessment (IA): 30 marks

- 6 marks will be for attendance
- 24 marks will be based on at least two tests of 12 marks each.

## 3. Continuous Assessment (CA): 40 marks

- 5 marks will be for attendance
- 35 marks will be based on assignments/tests or any other mode of assessment as suggested by the University.