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Course meeting of the B.A. Programme, Semester VIII

Course title: Development Theory and Experience (ECON 017)

The meeting was held on Friday, December 5, 2025, 12.00 noon, in the Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi.

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On the basis of the discussion and subsequent feedback the following may be noted:

(1) The prescribed readings could be used as indicated below:

UNIT I: Demography, Gender and Development:

• Debraj Ray, Development Economics, OUP, 2009, Ch. 9

UNIT II: Migration and Development:

• Debraj Ray, op. cit., Ch. 10 (10.3.1, 10.3.2, 10.3.3 and 10.3.4 2),

UNIT III: Land, Labour and Credit Markets:

- Debraj Ray, op. cit., Ch. 12 (12.1, 12.2 and 12.3), Ch. 13 (excluding 13.5); Ch. 14.
- UNIT IV: Institutions and coordination:
 - Elinor Ostrom, Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action, CUP, 1990, Ch. 1 'Reflections on the Commons', pp. 1-14 (till and including the subheading 'The "only" way?')
 - Todaro, M. P., & Smith, S. C., 13th edition (2020), Ch. 11 (11.2, 11.4, 11.5, 11.6, 11.7 and 11.9; exclude case study)
- (2) The Internal Assessment (IA) and the Continuous Assessment (CA) would be at the discretion of the individual instructor, keeping in mind the University guidelines.
- (3) The semester Final Exam should have 4 questions, corresponding to the four units mentioned in point (1) above. Each question would have internal choice.