

PAPER - 10

MACROECONOMICS-II

Course Description

This course is a sequel to Macroeconomics I. In this course, the students are introduced to the long run dynamic issues like growth and technical progress. It also provides the micro foundations to the various aggregative concepts used in the previous course.

Course Outline

1. Economic Growth

Solow model; golden rule; technological progress and elements of endogenous growth.

2. Microeconomic Foundations

- a. Consumption: Keynesian consumption function; Fisher's theory of optimal intertemporal choice; life-cycle and permanent income hypotheses; rational expectations and random-walk of consumption expenditure.
- b. Investment: determinants of business fixed investment; residential investment and inventory investment.
- c. Demand for money.

3. Fiscal and Monetary Policy

Active or passive; monetary policy objectives and targets; rules versus discretion: time consistency; the government budget constraint; government debt and Ricardian equivalence.

Readings

1. Dornbusch, Fischer and Startz, *Macroeconomics*, McGraw Hill, 11th edition, 2010.
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3. Olivier Blanchard, *Macroeconomics*, Pearson Education Inc., 5th edition, 2009.
4. Charles I. Jones, *Introduction to Economic Growth*, W.W. Norton & Company, 2nd edition, 2002.
5. Andrew B. Abel and Ben S. Bernanke, *Macroeconomics*, Pearson Education, Inc., 7th edition, 2011.
6. Errol D'Souza, *Macroeconomics*, Pearson Education, 2008.