

HIMACHAL PRADESH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY SHIMLA

SEMESTER-I

B.A. /B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.)

COURSE CODE: LLB

ECONOMICS-I (Micro Economics)

CREDIT: 04

Module-1 Introduction to Economics and Theory of Consumer Behaviour

- 1.1 Meaning, Nature and Scope of Economics, Basic concepts of Economics: Role of Assumptions, Opportunity Cost and Production Possibility Curve
- 1.2 Basic economics Problems and Economic organization market, command and mixed economy, Relation between Economics and Law: Economic Offences and Economic Legislations
- 1.3 Utility analysis- Cardinal approach: Law of Diminishing Marginal Utility and Law of Equi-Marginal Utility, Consumer's Equilibrium using Utility Analysis
- 1.4 Ordinal approach: Indifference curve analysis, Budget Line and Budget Set, Consumer's equilibrium.
- 1.5 Price Effect, Income Effect, Substitution Effect, Consumer's Surplus

Module-2 Theory of Demand and Supply

- 2.1 Demand for a product, Individual demand, market demand, Determinants of demand, Movement along the demand curve and shift in demand curve.
- 2.2 Elasticity of demand- Price, Income and Cross elasticity of demand and its determinants, Importance of elasticity demand.
- 2.3 Supply of a product, Market Supply, Determinants of supply, Movement along the Supply curve and shift in Supply Curve,
- 2.4 Elasticity of Supply: Measurement and Factors affecting Elasticity of Supply

Module-3 Theory of Production and Costs

- 3.1 Production function: Short run and Long Run, Law of variable proportions
- 3.2 Iso-quants and Iso Cost Line, Optimum factor combination: Least Cost Combination and Maximisation of Output, Expansion path, Returns to scale.
- 3.3 Theory of cost in short run and long run, Economies of Scale and Diseconomies of Scale
- 3.4 Revenue function: Total Revenue, Average Revenue and Marginal Revenue

3.5 Producer's Equilibrium in terms of Marginal Cost and Marginal Revenue and Total Cost and Total Revenue

Module-4 Market Structure and Factor Pricing

- 4.1 Concept of Market Equilibrium, Price Ceiling and Price Floor, Classification of Markets: Pure and Perfect Competitions
- 4.2 Monopolistic Competition, Monopoly, Price discrimination and Dumping
- 4.3 Oligopoly and Duopoly, Kinked demand curve, Cartels, Price Leadership, Monopsony
- 4.4 Factor pricing: Marginal Productivity and Modern Theory of Distribution, Ricardian and Modern Theory of Rent, Quasi Rent
- 4.5 Classical, Loanable Funds and Keynes Theory of Interest, Risk, Uncertainty and Innovation Theories of Profit.

(A) Prescribed Books:

- 1. Dwivedi, D.N.; Principles of Economics, (Vikas Publishing, 2016)
- 2. Verma, K.N.; Micro Economic Theory (Vishal Publishing, 2016)
- 3. Ahuja, H.L.; Advanced Economic Theory, (S. Chand & Company, 2016)

(B) Reference Books: -

- 1. Koutsoyiannis, A.; Modern Microeconomics (Macmillan Press, 2014)
- 2. Stonier, A.W.; and D.C. Hague, A Textbook of Economic Theory (ELBS & Longman Group)
- 3. Samuelson, P.A.; and W.D. Nordhaus, *Economics* (Tata Mac Graw-Hill Publishing Company Limited, 2004)
- 4. Seth, M.L.; *Principles of Economics* (Lakshmi Narain Agarwal Educational Publishers, 2001)
- 5. Case, Karl E. and Ray C. Fair, Principles of Economics, (Pearson, 2013)
- 6. Mankiw, N. Gregory, *Economics: Principles and Applications* (India edition by South Western, a part of Cengage Learning, Cengage Learning India Private Limited, 1st Indian Reprint, 2016)

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