

SES's L.S. RAHEJA COLLEGE OF ARTS AND COMMERCE(AUTONOMOUS)

Syllabus for Approval	BoS meeting held on: 27/02/2025	AC meeting held on : 04.04.2025
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Board of Studies: ECONOMICS

Sr. No.	Heading	Particulars
1	Nomenclature of the Course	Public Finance
2	Eligibility for Admission	College Admission Regulations 2024
3	Passing Marks for eligibility	
4	Regulations	
5	Programme	BACHELORS OF ARTS ECONOMICS MAJOR
6	Semesters	Semester: III
7	NEP Vertical	MAJOR 2
8	Credit	04
9	Level U.G/PG	U.G
10	Pattern	Semester
11	Status (Revised or New) If revised, % of change)	NEW
12	To be implemented from Academic Year	From the Academic Year: 2025-2026

Date: 04.04.2025



Chairman / Chairperson:

Ms. Samiksha Jadhav

(name & signature)

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BOARD OF STUDIES: ECONOMICS

PROGRAMME: BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

SEMESTER: III

NOMENCLATURE OF THE COURSE: PUBLIC FINANCE

NEP Vertical: MAJOR 2

Credit: 4

(As Per Choice Based Credit System (under NEP 2020) with effect from the academic year 2025-2026)



Programme:	BA
Nomenclature of the Course	PUBLIC FINANCE
Total Marks	100
Semester:	III
Academic year	2025-2026

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- 1) To understand the core principles and functions of public finance.
- 2) To analyse the role of taxation and public expenditure in economic performance.
- 3) To evaluate the fiscal policies and principles in the context of market failures and public debt management.
- 4) To examine the federal finance structure and the role of financial commissions.

COURSE OUTCOMES:

- 1) At the end of this course, the learner will be able to articulate the key functions of public finance.
- 2) Learner will critically assess the impact of taxation policies on the economy.
- 3) Learner will apply knowledge of public expenditure theories to current fiscal issues
- 4) Learner will gain a thorough understanding of the principles of federalism and fiscal management.

Unit	Course Content	Andragogy	No of Lectures
I	<p>Introduction to Public Finance Meaning and Scope of Public finance, Major fiscal functions: allocation function, distribution function & stabilization function Principle of Maximum Social Advantage: Dalton and Musgrave Views Market Failure: Causes and Role of state in correcting market failure, Public Goods and Private Goods, Externalities, Efficiency versus Equity Principles of Sound Finance and Functional Finance (case studies wherever possible)</p>	<p>ICT Based Andragogy / Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work/Case studies/individual and group Assignments etc.</p>	15
II	<p>Public Revenue Sources of Public Revenue: tax and non-tax revenues, Objectives and Canons of taxation Types of taxes: direct tax and indirect tax with merits and demerits Tax Base and Rates of taxation: proportional, progressive and regressive taxation Concept of Impact, Incidence and Shifting of Taxation; Elasticity and Determination of Tax Burden Economic Effects of taxation: on Income and Wealth, Consumption, Savings, Investments and Production. Redistributive and Anti – Inflationary nature of taxation and their implications</p>	<p>ICT Based Andragogy / Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work/Case studies/individual and group Assignments etc.</p>	15

	(case studies wherever possible)		
III	<p>Public Expenditure Public Expenditure: Classification, Significance and Canons of Public Expenditure Economic effects of Public Expenditure - on production, consumption, distribution, employment and stabilization Theories of Public Expenditure: Wagner's Hypothesis and Wiseman Peacock Hypothesis – Causes of Increase in Public Expenditure (case studies wherever possible)</p>	<p>ICT Based Andragogy / Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work/Case studies/individual and group Assignments etc.</p>	15
IV	<p>Public Debt and Fiscal Management Public Debt: Meaning and Types Burden of Debt Finance: Internal and External Budget: Meaning, Revenue Account, Expenditure Account, Concepts and Types of Deficit and Importance of Budget. FRBM Act 2003 and contemporary changes in it. Union Budget and its evaluation. Federal Finance (Concept and Principles of Federalism) Role of Finance Commission, Recommendations of the Latest Finance Commission (case studies wherever possible)</p>	<p>ICT Based Andragogy / Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work/Case studies/individual and group Assignments etc.</p>	15

SUGGESTED READINGS

- Ahuja, H. L. (2022). *Modern microeconomics: Theory and applications* (19th ed.). S. Chand Publishing.
- Bhatia, H. L. (2023). *Public finance* (31st ed.). Vikas Publishing House.
- Government of India, Ministry of Finance. (2024). *Economic Survey 2023-24*.
- Hajela, T. N. (n.d.). *Public finance*. Ane Books Pvt. Ltd.
- Houghton, E. W. (1998). *Public finance*. Penguin.
- Hyman, D. N. (n.d.). *Public finance: A contemporary application of theory and policy*. Krishna Offset.
- Jha, R. (1998). *Modern public economics*. Routledge.
- Mithani, D. M. (1998). *Modern public finance*. Himalaya Publishing House.
- Musgrave, R. A., & Musgrave, P. B. (1976). *Public finance in theory and practice*. Tata McGraw-Hill Kogakusha.
- Singh, S. K. (2014). *Public finance in theory and practice*. S. Chand & Co. Pvt. Ltd.

QUESTION PAPER PATTERN

SYBA(4 credit courses)

A) FOR CONTINUOUS EVALUATION

(A-1) RUBRICS FOR CONTINUOUS EVALUATION: (40 Marks)

Class Test	25 marks
Assignment/ Viva Voce	10 marks
Class Participation	05 marks

B) QUESTION PAPER PATTERN FOR SEMESTER END EXAMINATION (60 marks)

- Q1. Any 1 question out of 2 on Module 1:(10 marks)
- Q2. Any 1 question out of 2 on Module 2: (10 marks)
- Q3. Any 1 question out of 2 on Module 3:(10 marks)
- Q4. Any 1 question out of 2 on Module 4:(10 marks)
- Q5. Any 2 questions out of 4 on all Modules:(20marks)