# REVISED SYLLABUS (CBCS) FOR B.A. Economics (Sem.-III) OPTIONAL COURSE

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Class: S.Y.B.A. (Semester-III)

Title of Paper: Micro Economics- I Paper Code: UAEC232

Credit: 03 No. of Lectures: 48

# **Learning Objectives:**

- 1. To stimulate the student interest by showing the relevance and use of various economic theories.
- 2. To apply economic reasoning to problems of business.

#### **Course Outcome:**

- 1. Understanding Fundamental Concepts: Develop a solid understanding of foundational microeconomic concepts, including supply and demand, elasticity, consumer behavior, and production theory.
  - 1. **Market Structures:** Analyze different market structures, such as perfect competition, monopoly, oligopoly, and monopolistic competition, and understand how they impact pricing and output decisions.
  - 2. **Consumer Behavior:** Explore the factors influencing consumer choices, including utility theory, budget constraints, and the concept of indifference curves.
  - 3. **Producer Behavior:** Examine the behavior of firms, including production costs, profit maximization, and the impact of different market structures on firm behavior.
  - 4. **Market Equilibrium:** Understand the forces that lead to market equilibrium and how changes in supply and demand affect prices and quantities.
  - 5. W1. elfare Economics: Explore concepts related to economic welfare, including consumer and producer surplus, deadweight loss, and the efficiency of market outcomes.
  - 6. **Externalities and Public Goods:** Analyze the role of externalities and public goods in market transactions and understand the potential market failures associated with these concepts.

# 1.UNIT 1 **Introduction**

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- 1.1 Micro Economics Meaning, Nature, Scope, Importance & limitations.
- 1.2 Basic Economic Problems Scarcity & choice
- 1.3 Tools of Economic Analysis Functional relationships, Schedules, Graphs & Equations.

#### UNIT 2 **Demand Analysis**

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- 2.1 Demand- concept & law.
- 2.2 Elasticity of Demand-Concept and Types.
- 2.3 Utility Meaning, Concept and Features.
- 2.4 Cardinal Utility-The law of diminishing Marginal Utility
- 2.5 Ordinal Utility Indifference curve Concept and Properties, Consumer Equilibrium.

UNIT 3 Supply Analysis

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- 3.1 Supply-Meaning and Concept
- 3.2 The Law of SUPPLY
- 2.7 Elasticity of Supply.

# **UNIT 4 Production and Cost Analysis**

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- 4.1 Production function Meaning.
- 4.2 law of Variable Proportions The Three Stages.
- 4.3 Law of returns to scale The Three Stages.
- 4.4 Revenue Concept-Total, Average & Marginal Revenue.
- 4.5 Cost Concepts Fixed Cost, Variable Cost, , Average & Marginal cost,

Total cost, Opportunity cost, Economic Cost, Accounting Cost.

4.6 Short Run and Long run Cost Curves

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# Mapping of Program Outcome with Course Outcome

Course Outcome	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8
Understanding Fundamental Concepts	3	2	1	3	3	2	1	3
Market Structures	3	2	1	3	3	2	1	3
Consumer Behavior	3	2	2	3	3	2	1	3
Producer Behavior	3	2	1	3	3	2	1	3
Market Equilibrium	3	2	1	3	3	2	1	3
Welfare Economics	3	2	1	3	3	2	1	3
Externalities and Public Goods	3	2	2	3	3	2	2	3

Rating Scale:

- 3: Strong alignment between the course outcome and program outcome; the course effectively addresses the program outcome.
- 2: Moderate alignment; the course provides some coverage of the program outcome but may need improvement.
- 1: Limited alignment; the course touches on the program outcome but requires significant enhancement.
- 0: No alignment; the course does not address the program outcome.

#### Justifications:

- PO1: Research-related skills are incorporated in understanding economic concepts, market structures, and welfare economics.
- PO2: Effective citizenship and ethics are indirectly addressed in discussions about market equilibrium, welfare economics, and externalities.
- PO3: Social competence is covered in the exploration of consumer behavior and the analysis of externalities and public goods.
- PO4: Disciplinary knowledge is directly addressed in all course outcomes as it focuses on various microeconomic concepts and structures.
- PO5: Personal and professional competence is developed through understanding microeconomic concepts, market structures, and welfare economics.
- PO6: The course promotes self-directed and lifelong learning by covering foundational microeconomic concepts and market structures.
- PO7: Environment and sustainability are indirectly covered in discussions about externalities and the potential market failures associated with them.
- PO8: Critical thinking and problem-solving skills are developed throughout the course, especially in the analysis of market structures, consumer and producer behavior, and externalities.