# Minor: Paper-II Discipline A<sub>1</sub>

# 1. Economics: Introductory Microeconomics

• Course Code: ECON001

• Course Abbreviation: MICRO1

• Credits: 4

## • Course Objectives:

This course is designed to expose students to the basic principles of microeconomic theory. The emphasis will be on teaching the fundamental economic trade-offs and allocation problems due to scarcity of resources. This course will use graphical methods to illustrate how microeconomic concepts can be applied to analyze real-life situations.

## • Course Learning Outcomes:

Students will learn to think about economic trade-offs and opportunities. They will learn the fundamentals of market mechanisms and government interventions.

## • Content (Unit-wise):

#### Unit 1: Introduction to economic trade-offs

Resources and opportunities, Gains from trade, Individual and society

## **Unit 2:** How market works

Supply and demand, Price and resource allocation, Elasticity, Market, trade and welfare.

## **Unit 3:** Role of government

Taxation, Public good, Inequality and poverty

## Unit 4: Individual decision and interactions

Decision versus strategic interaction, How to think about strategic interactions, Real life Final Examinationples.

# Suggested Readings

- Mankiw, N. G. (2018). Principles of Microeconomics 8th ed.
- Frank, R. H., & Cartwright, E. (2010). Microeconomics and behavior. New York: McGraw-Hill.
- Dixit, A. K., & Skeath, S. (2015). Games of strategy: Fourth international student edition.
  WW Norton & Company.
- Acemoglu, D., Laibson, D., & List, J. (2017). Microeconomics. Pearson.
- Course Assessment: Internal Assessment 25, Final Examination 75