



INDIAN ECONOMY: SOME CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES

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INTENDED AUDIENCE : UG & Senior UG students

INDUSTRIES APPLICABLE TO : Banking, Financial Services, Consulting and Advisory Services

COURSE OUTLINE :

Understanding the role of economic activities has always been a challenging task for non-economics students and it is an unavoidable task. This course is designed for undergraduate students to learn the art of understanding the functioning of the economy in the light of its mixed economic set-up, historical developments and recent reforms. The course touches upon various relevant topics which are indeed useful for the budding economist and non-economics students who want to apply for general competitive exams and masters program in management and civil services.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR :

Prof. Wasim Ahmad is currently working as Associate Professor in the Department of Economic Sciences, IIT Kanpur. He also holds the PK Kelkar Young Faculty Chair of the Institute. He is also the Subir Chaudhary Fellow at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). His areas of teaching and research are Macroeconomics, Finance, and Applied Econometrics.

COURSE PLAN :

- Week 1:** Indian economy since independence, analysis of the pre- and post-reform periods of India's economic growth and development
- Week 2:** Assessment of agriculture sector reforms, industrial reforms in a mixed economic set-up and tracing the contours of liberalization and self-reliance
- Week 3:** Socio-economic development and tax reforms
- Week 4:** Financial sector reforms and financial inclusion
- Week 5:** Indian banking sector crisis and recent developments
- Week 6:** India and WTO regulations: Inward and outward analysis
- Week 7:** Structural shocks and analysis of recent policy initiatives
- Week 8:** Indian economy: Recent outlook and challenges