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Course Name:	B.A (H) (DSE
Paper Title:	Public Economics
Unique Paper Code:	
Semester:	V
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Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	No. of Lectures	Topics to be Covered
1	Role of Public sector, Political Economy of Public sector and Taxation	Lecture No. 1-30	Role of public sector
Public Economic Theory			Role of public sector
			Justification of public sector
			Public sector growth
			Political economy of public sector
			Public mechanism for allocation: market and non-market mechanism
			Theory of rent seeking
			Taxation
			Economic effects of taxation
			Tax incidence and dead weight loss
			Efficiency and equity
			Optimal taxation and commodity taxation
			Ramsey rule
			MID SEMESTER BREAK
2	Indian Tax system, Budget, Deficits and Public Debt	Lecture No. 31-45	Envising tax policy for accelerated development in India
Indian Public Finance			Goods and services tax in India
			Budget at a glance 2023-24
			India’s Debt Dilemma” in ideas for India
	DISPERSAL OF CLASSES		

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Unit	TOPICS
I	Public Economic Theory Role of Public sector, Political Economy of Public sector and Taxation
II	Indian Public Finance Indian Tax system, Budget, Deficits and Public Debt
S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	John Cullis and Phip Jones, Public Finance and Public Choice, Oxford University Press, 2004
2.	Jean Hindriks and Gareth D. Myles. Intermediate Public Economics, MIT Press, 2nd edition, 2013
3.	Joseph E. Stiglitz, Economic of the Public Sector, 3rd edition, W.W. Norton and Co.