



# Indraprastha College for Women University of Delhi

## Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

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| Course Name:       | B. A. (H) Economics                                                          |  |
| Paper Title:       | Intermediate Macroeconomics I: Foundations of Aggregate Income Determination |  |
| Unique Paper Code: | 2272102302                                                                   |  |
| Semester:          | III                                                                          |  |
| Faculty:           | Dr. Bindu Oberoi                                                             |  |
| Year:              | 2026                                                                         |  |

| Work Plan |                                                              |             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Unit No.  | Learning Objective                                           | Lecture No. | Topics to be Covered                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 1         | <b>Short-run and medium-run equilibrium</b>                  | 1-15        | The labour market, Wage determination; Wages, Prices and Unemployment; Natural rate of unemployment; from employment to output; Derivation of aggregate supply curve, Interaction of aggregate demand and supply to determine equilibrium output, price level and employment.                 |
| 2         | <b>Phillips Curve and theory of expectations</b>             | 16-28       | Inflation, Unemployment and expectations, Phillips Curve; Adaptive and rational expectations; Policy ineffectiveness debate.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3         | <b>Microeconomic foundations of macroeconomic behaviours</b> | 29-45       | Consumption: Keynesian consumption function; Fishers's theory of optimal intertemporal choice; Life cycle and permanent income hypotheses; Other theories of consumption expenditure; Investment: Determinants of business fixed investment; Residential investment and Inventory investment. |

| Unit   | Contents/Syllabus                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| S. No. | Name of Authors/Books/Publishers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1.     | Blanchard, O. Macroeconomics, 4 <sup>th</sup> ed. Pearson Education. 2006                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2.     | C.L.F. Attfield, D. Demery and N.W. Duck, Rational Expectations in Macroeconomics: An Introduction to Theory and Evidence, 1991                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3.     | Sheffrin, Steve, rational Expectations, 3e, Cambridge University Press. 1996                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4.     | Jones, Charles, Macroeconomics, 4e, W W Norton & Co. 2018                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5.     | Branson, William H, Macroeconomic Theory and Policy, 3e, East-West Press. 2005                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

| Paper Components  |                                                                                                      |                |               |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Credits           | Lecture (L)                                                                                          | Tutorial (T)   | Practical (P) |
| 4                 | 3                                                                                                    | 1              |               |
| Assessment Scheme |                                                                                                      |                |               |
| S.No.             | Component                                                                                            | Marking Scheme | Total Marks   |
| 1                 | Internal Assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assignment</li> <li>Class Test</li> </ul> | 30             | 30            |
|                   |                                                                                                      | 12             |               |
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|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attendance</li> </ul>                      | 6  |    |
| 2. | Continuous Assessment ( <b>Tutorial</b> )                                         | 40 | 40 |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity 1</li> </ul>                      | 20 |    |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity 2</li> </ul>                      | 15 |    |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attendance</li> </ul>                      | 5  |    |
| 3. | Practical                                                                         |    |    |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuous Assessment</li> </ul>           |    |    |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>End Term Written/Practical Exam</li> </ul> |    |    |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Viva</li> </ul>                            |    |    |
| 4. | End Semester Examination                                                          |    | 90 |