Work Plan (Odd Semester 2022-23)

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Paper name: Development Economics I

Class type: B.A. (Hons.) Economics, (Sem-V)

Paper shared with: NA

Unit to be taken	Month wise schedule to be followed	Tests/Assignments/ Revision/Presentations etc
 1. Conceptions of Development i) AVSI, pp. 1-29: Characteristics of Development ii) DE, Ch. 2: Some historical explanations for differences in development indicators. iii) Deaton, Ch. 1. iv) Human Development Report 2016 Technical Note 1 (for HDI formulae and examples), available at: < http://hdr.undp.org/sites/default/files/2016_human_develo pment_report.pdf> v) Pranab Bardhan, Awakening Giants, Feet of Clay: Assessing the Economic Rise of China and India, OUP, 2010, Ch. 10. 	22th july - 20th August	 Test-(5 marks) Presentation-(10 marks) Term paper (5marks) Total Internal Marks 25 Attendance - 5 marks Revision and preparation Break -16th november -30th november Examination- 30th november -17th december
 2. Growth Models and Empirics Debraj Ray, Development Economics, (DE) Chapters 3 and 4 	20th August- 20th september	(Tentative date- 5th december)
 3. Poverty and Inequality: Definitions, Measures and Mechanisms DE, Chapter 6 on inequality measurement, Chapter 8 on poverty measures and correlates (8.1, 8.2, 8.3 and appendix for FGT measures) Angus Deaton, 'Measuring Poverty', chapter 1 in UP (on defining poverty lines) Amartya Sen, 'Poverty as Capability Deprivation', chapter 4 in Development as Freedom, OUP, 2000. Thomas Piketty and Emmanuel Saez, 'Inequality in the Long Run', Science, 344 (838), 2014 	20th september-15th october	
 4. Political Institutions and the Functioning of the State The determinants of democracy; alternative institutional trajectories and their relationship with economic performance; within-country differences in the functioning of state institutions; state ownership and regulation; government failures and corruption. i) Elinor Ostrom, Governing the Commons, chapter 1. ii) Thomas Dietz, Elinor Ostrom and Paul C. Stern, 'The Struggle to Govern the Commons', Science, vol. 302, No. 5652 (Dec. 12, 2003), pp. 1907-1912. iii) Mancur Olson, Jr. 'Big Bills Left on the Sidewalk: Why Some Nations 	15th october -15 november	

are Rich, and Others Poor', Journal of Economic	
Perspectives, vol. 10, no. 2, pp 3-24, 1996.	
iv) Albert O. Hirschman, Rival Views of Market Society	
and Other Essays, Ch. 3: 'Linkages in Economic	
Development' * (recommended, but not mandatory; i.e.	
no questions in the exam)	
v) Dani Rodrik, 'Fifty Years of Growth (and lack	
thereof): An Interpretation' (Chapter 1 of One	
Economics, Many Recipes: Globalization, Institutions	
and Economic Growth	
vi) Andre Shleifer and Robert W. Vishny, 'Corruption',	
Quarterly Journal of Economics, 108(3), 1993, pp	
599-617.	

Books used:

(1) Debraj Ray, Development Economics, (DE), Princeton University Press, 1998.

(2) Partha Dasgupa, Economics: A Very Short Introduction, (AVSI), Oxford University Press, 2007.

(3) Abhijit Banerjee, Roland Benabou and Dilip Mookerjee (eds), Understanding Poverty (UP), Oxford University Press, 2006.

(4) Angus Deaton, The Great Escape: Health, Wealth and the Origins of Inequality, Princeton University Press, 2013.

(5) Elinor Ostrom, Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action, Cambridge University Press, 1990.