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| **S.No.** | **Topic** | **References From Recommended Text**  **Books** | **Tentative Time**  **Schedule** |
| 1. | 1.  **1a. Role of Public Sector - Justification of the Public Sector; Public Sector Growth;**  **Excessive Government**  1b. **Political Economy of Public Sector - Public Mechanisms for allocation; Market**  **and Non-Market Mechanism; Theory of Rent Seeking.**)  1c.  **Taxation - Economic effects of Tax; Tax incidence; Dead Weight Loss and**  **Distortion; Efficiency and Equity Considerations; Optimal taxation; Commodity**  **tax; Ramsey rule.** | Hindriks & Myles, Chapter 5  Stiglitz, Chapter 9 (pages 230 to 252)  Cullis & Jones, Chapter 5 (till Section 5.2.1) (pages 92-96)  Stiglitz, Chapter 18 (pages 538 to 552), 19 (except Appendix), 20 (pages 606 to 621)  Page **2** of **3**  Hindriks & Myles, Chapter 15 (Sections 15.1, 15.2, 15.3 and 15.5 (15.5.1 and 15.5.2 –  exclude derivation of Ramsey Rule)  Hindriks & Myles, Chapter 16\* (Sections 16.1 to 16.3 - Optional reading)  Hindriks & Myles, Chapter 17 (Sections 17.1 to 17.4 and 17.7) | August1,  2025- Sept.  30, 2025 |

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| 2. | **Tax System – Indian Tax system; Structure and Reforms.**  2b**Budget, deficits and public debt (3 - 4 Lectures)** | **Rao, M. Govinda and Sudhanshu Kumar (2017). “Envisioning Tax Policy for**  **Accelerated Development in India,” Working Paper No. 190, National Institute of**  **Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP). (access at**  **http://www.nipfp.org.in/publications/workingpapers )**  **Budget at a Glance 2023-24**  **Mundle S and Sahu A (2023), “Massive Capital Expenditure, Modest Fiscal**  **Consolidation, and Cut in Pillars of Social Safety Net”, Economic & Political Weekly,**  **Vol. 58, No. 12, pages 34 to 40.** | Oct. 1,  2025- Nov.15, 2025 |
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