

Economics of Nepal

Course Title: Economics of Nepal

Credits: 3

Full Marks: 50

Pass Marks:

Total Teaching Hours: 55

This course deals with the situation analysis of the rural economy of Nepal. The purpose of this is to acquaint students with the problems and prospects of rural economy. It will provide knowledge and exposure to rural economic situation and students will be able to understand the problems, issues and solutions related to rural development.

Objectives

On the completion of this course, the students will be able to:

- Understand the basic concept of economics.
- Understand the situation of rural economy of Nepal.
- Assess the stock of rural resources and their uses.
- Examine the situation of poverty and unemployment and their implication in the country.
- Analyze the system of rural finance, financial situation and assess the appropriate technology for the rural development.

Content

Title	Details	Hours
Basic Concept of Economics	a. Introduction of micro and macro economics. b. Concepts of demand curve, supply curve, and market price. c. Concept of elasticity of demand and supply.	10

Rural Economy of Nepal	<p>Nature, characteristics and structure of rural economy.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Characteristics of Nepali Rural economy (economic, geographical and socio-cultural). ii. Dominant factors of Nepalese rural economy. iii. Composition of rural economy (farm sector and nonfarm sectors, formal and informal sectors). iv. Demographic characteristics: population growth, composition and distribution. v. Agricultural growth and stagnation: production, productivity, cropping pattern and agricultural modernization problems and prospects. vi. Rural industries. 	10
Rural resources	Land resource, mineral resource, forest resource, water resource, human resource	10
Poverty, unemployment and migration.	<p>Poverty: scenario of poverty in rural Nepal, regional food security situation, poverty reduction strategy of current plan.</p> <p>Unemployment: nature, extent and causes of unemployment and under employment, employment policy of government.</p> <p>Migration: Types and direction migration, causes and consequences of migration.</p>	10
Rural development experience in Nepal.	<p>Integrated rural development, people's participation in rural development, public private partnership, Decentralization of development authority, rural tourism, mitigation of resource conflict.</p>	15