BA

CORE COURSE (CC): ECONOMICS

SEMESTER - I

(BAB31101T) MICRO ECONOMICS

MAX.MARKS: 100

EXTERNAL: 70

INTERNAL: 30

PASS: 40%

CREDITS: 6

OBJECTIVE:

This course acquaints the students with the basic principles of Microeconomics and economic activities. It will help the students to understand the subject by applying it to their day-to-day experiences.

COURSE OUTCOMES:

CO 1:	Understand the fundamentals of microeconomics necessary for economic analysis
CO 2:	Understand the demand mechanism that determine equilibrium in a market economy
CO 3:	Learn about production, cost theory and firm's equilibrium
CO 4:	Understand the characteristics and working of competitive markets and allocative efficiency under various market structures

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will have four questions each from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks each. The candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C will have fifteen short answer questions covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 3 marks. Candidates will attempt any 10 questions from this section.
4. The examiner shall give a clear instruction to the candidates to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed

out, shall not be evaluated.

5. The duration of each paper will be three hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B of the question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

Section - A

Unit 1: Introduction of Economics, Theory of Demand and Supply

Unit 2: Elasticity of Demand

Unit 3: Consumer Behaviour**:** Utility analysis;

Unit 4: Consumer Behaviour: Indifference curve analysis.

Section - B

Unit 5: Production Function: Law of Variable Proportions and Returns to Scale

Unit 6: Concepts of Cost and Revenue: Types and shapes of cost curves in short and long periods; shapes of revenue curves in different market forms; relationship of AR, MR and Elasticity.

Unit 7: Perfect Competition: Firm and Industry Equilibrium

Unit 8: Imperfect Competition**:** Monopoly and Monopolistic Competition.

Suggested Readings:

- A. Koutsoyiannis: Modern Microeconomics, Palgrave Macmillan.
- N. Gregory Mankiw, Economics: Principles and Applications, India edition by South Western, a part of Cengage Learning, Cengage Learning India Private Limited, 4th edition, 2007.
- Salvotore. D (2006) Theory and Problems of Microeconomic Theory. (3rd ed.) Tata McGraw-Hill Publishing Company Ltd.
- Samuelson, Paul A and Nordhaus, William D: Economics, 18th Edition, Tata McGraw Hill Publishing Company Limited, New Delhi, 2006

