

4b. URBAN ECONOMICS (406602)

OBJECTIVES:

- To understand the concepts, process and indicators of urbanization.
- To overview the interrelationship between migration and urban growth.
- To study the theories of urban growth and apply to India.
- To review the urban problems and policies with special reference to India.

Sr. No.	Topic and Details	Credits	Lectures	Marks
1	<p>Introduction to Urbanization Urbanization: definition and basic concepts, process of urbanization, indicators of urbanization- level of urbanization- rate of urbanization- classification of cities. Industrialization- Urbanization nexus. Urbanization- a global view, trends in developed and developing countries. Urbanization in India</p>	1	15	25
2	<p>Migration and Urban Growth Components of urban growth- natural growth, migration, Addition of net new towns, Migration and urbanization: causes and consequences of migration; changing dynamics of migration theories of migration- 1. Lewis, Fei and Ranis, 2. Regenstein, 3. Everest and 4. Todaro. Contribution of migration in urban growth in India</p>	1	15	25
3	<p>Theories of Urban Growth Central place theory, Economic base theory: base ratio and concept of economic base multiplier, Dependency theories, Agglomeration economics, Rank size distribution of cities.</p>	1	15	25
4	<p>Urban problems and policies Urban employment and poverty_ Urban informal economy-migration-urbanization-informal work- poverty nexus. Urban poverty alleviation policies- Urban infrastructure- problem of urban housing and transportation, urban basic services. Finances of urban local bodies- policy measures Smart City Discourse for urban development, issues in urban governance.</p>	1	15	25

COURSE OUTCOMES:

After completion of the course the learners will be able to-

- Study the various terminologies and their significance in urban economics.
- Review and apply the theories of urban growth in context to Urban India.
- Understand the development transformation and analytics in Urban India.
- Know the urban problems and policies for urban development in India.

- Analyse the contribution of migration in urban growth of India. Review the issues in context to rural development in India.

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