Subject: Syllabi and Courses of study in M.A. Economics, Semester 1st, Course No.PSECTC-103 (Mathematical Methods in Economics)

Ref: Adoption No.15/July/Adp/64 issued vide Notification No. No.F.Acd/II/15/7796-7815; dated 08-08-2015.

CORRIGENDUM

Please read:

Course code: PSECTC-103 (Mathematical methods in Economics) as per Annexure-A & B.

Instead of:

Course code: PSECTC-103 (Mathematical methods in Economics) already notified.

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Course Code: PSECTC-103
Title: Mathematical Methods in Economics
Credits: 4

Syllabus for the examination to be held in January 2014 to January 2016
Preamble – The aim of this course is to train students in the use of mathematical tools to understand concepts in economics presented in the form of mathematical models and express economic ideas in the same form. The course is intended to enable the students to utilize these tools in subsequent courses in the II, III and IV semesters especially those courses where the use of mathematics has become a norm.

UNIT – I

UNIT – II – CALCULUS
Partial and total differentiation, Expansion by Taylor Series. Allied economic applications. Maxima and minima-constrained and unconstrained, economic application. Principles of integration: Indefinite and definite. Economic application-Derivation of consumers surplus, Producer’s Surplus, Profit and utility maximization with one good, product and input, Derivation and demand curves for inputs, goods etc.

Comparative statics and allied economic applications: combining calculus-Derivation of Slutsky Equation, IS-IM model, Cobb Douglas and CES production functions, elasticity of demand, supply substitution.

UNIT – III DIFFERENCE AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
Differential Equations: Definitions and concepts; Solution of first order and second order difference equations
Difference equations: definitions and concepts; solution of first order and second order difference equations
Simultaneous Differential equations and Phase diagrams
Application of difference and differential equations in Economics – Cobweb model. Foreign trade multiplier model, Capital Stock Adjustment theory of Investment, Market model with stocks – National Income Model
UNIT – IV LINEAR PROGRAMMING: OPERATIONS AND APPLICATIONS

Linear Programming: Basic concepts; Formulation of a LP problem; Nature of feasible, basic and optimal solutions; Solution of a LP problem through graphical and simplex methods; Formulation of Dual and its interpretation;
Input-Output Analysis: Introduction, Input-Output transaction table, the technological Coefficient matrix, solution of open model, The Hawkins-Simons Conditions, Solution for 2 and 3 industries, determination of equilibrium prices.

Basic Reading List

Additional Reading List