## <u>Program Overview</u> <u>M.A. (Applied Economics)</u>

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW –**

The programme of MA (Applied Economics) has been well updated as per NEP 2020 in the Department of Banking, Economics and Finance. The Programme is unique as it offers a rich blend of theoretical and practical applications of Economics as part of the classroom learning experience and field -based experiential learning. The Programme experience is designed for amateur economists who are looking for a full-fledged career in the area of Economics and enjoy working in an intellectually stimulating environment. A number of career opportunities are open for postgraduate students of Economics in research, consultancy, international and national projects, government departments, corporates, banking and non-profit organizations. After completing their post-graduation in Applied Economics from the Department of Banking, Economics and Finance; students are well prepared and groomed for their onward journey towards Ph.D. Programme. The M.A. (Applied Economics) Programme is spread over two academic years and divided into four semesters. First semester comprises of 4 Major Papers and One Minor Paper. Second, third and fourth semesters comprises 4 major papers each. Every semester comprises of experiential learning component. The Programme aims to impart advanced knowledge in the various core and applied areas of Economics like Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Econometrics, Public Economics, etc. The pedagogy is designed to put equal emphasis on the application of economic principles and the emergence of new economics in the present world. The Programme focuses on enriching the research and analytical aptitude of students. At the same time, there is scope to nurture economic and political thoughts to develop leadership and vision to serve citizens of India and the World. Papers in Mathematical economics and Econometrics are designed to develop analytical and quantitative attitude. Papers like Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, International Trade, s and Public Economics are aimed at strengthening the core theoretical strength of students. Papers like Share market and Banking along with Industrial Economics aims to capture market-based understanding of the discipline. Courses like Growth & Development,

Environment and Agricultural Economics are promoted to develop sensitiveness of students towards society. Gender based sensitization, human rights and elements related with entrepreneurship and innovation have been included at appropriate places in the syllabus of various major papers. Research ethics, use of referencing software and plagiarism avoiding practices also find their place in the syllabus of compulsory paper of Research Methodology. The department regularly organizes theme-based seminars, workshops and symposiums to impart add-on skills and knowledge to the postgraduate students. Reputed scholars and experts from both national and international communities are often invited speakers at the seminars.

## **Program Outcomes (POs)**

Program Outcomes (POs): It represents the knowledge, skills and attitudes the students should have at the end of MA (Applied Economics) program.

PO1	Domain Knowledge	Develop and strengthen
		theoretical, conceptual and
		applied knowledge of
		Economics to understand the
		real-world phenomenon from
		a regional, national and
		global perspective.
PO2	Problem Analysis	Enable use of critical, logical
		and reflective thinking to
		construct reasonable
		arguments and analyze
		complex phenomenon with
		strategic decision-making
		process.
PO3	Design / Development of	Construct and design

	Solutions	effective solutions by
		applying existing economic
		theory and tools to identify
		the research and policy gaps
PO4	Conduct Investigation of	Apply tools of optimization
	Complex Problems	and quantitative aptitude to
		examine, evaluate and
		analyse economic issues
		affecting the developed,
		emerging and developing
		economies.
PO5	Modern Tool Usage	Develop the ability to apply
		quantitative and qualitative
		tools of advanced statistics
		and econometrics to analyse
		disciplinary and cross-
		disciplinary real-world
		issues.
PO6	The Citizen and the Society	Enable students to become
		informed and responsible
		citizens by inculcating the
		practice of rational, ethical
		thinking and optimal
		decision-making to minimize
		resource wastage.
		Development of normative
		aptitude by enhancement of
		welfare-oriented policy
		formulation
		covered under welfare
		economics. Development of
		understanding regarding
		gender in development.

Environment and	Enhance practical insights
Sustainability	towards energy efficiency
	and sustainable development
	models by demonstrating
	solutions from environmental
	economics
Ethics	Apply the existing ethical
	guidelines in everyday
	economics, research thinking
	and community development.
Individual and Team Work	Manage and build high
	performance teams by
	understanding the role of
	incentives, scientific virtue,
	decent work and pillars of
	organization efficiency
Communication	Practice effective oral and
	written communication to be
	able to convey advanced
	economic theories and
	models in a pragmatic
	manner to the stakeholders of
	the society
Project Management	Predict and analyse the role
	of economic factors and
	policies on overall economic
	and financial performance of
	an economy using economic
	tools.
Life-Long Learning	Raise awareness on the
	importance of constant
	upskilling in the wake of
	Industry 4.0 and Education
	Sustainability   Ethics   Individual and Team Work   Communication   Project Management

	4.0 and demonstrate effective
	usage of existing resources.

## **Program Specific Outcomes (PSOs)**

Program Specific Outcomes (PSOs): PSOs are statements that describe what the students of MA (Applied Economics) should be able to do.

**PSO1** To impart in depth knowledge to students about economic theory regarding utilization and allocation of resources including labour, natural resources and capital.

**PSO 2** To develop students understanding about how market for goods and services function and how income is generated and distributed.

**PSO3** To give students in depth knowledge into special fields of choice like agricultural economics, industrial economics, share market and banking, development economics, international trade, econometrics, mathematical economics etc.

**PSO4** To make students familiar with economic theories and their relevance, econometrics, quantitative techniques and applied research in a wide variety of fields within economics.

**PSO5** Students would know how the economy is influenced by economic policy, technological advances and demographic conditions

**PSO6** Students would develop understanding about Sustainable Development Goals and ways to achieve them within the economic theoretical framework

**PSO7** To sensitize students about the Gender related issues, environmental protection, human rights and research ethics.