

Proposed Course outline: *Learning the Basics of Banking and Finance*

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1st week	Lecture 1	2 hrs	<i>Basic Concepts in Economics</i> * - Demand - Supply - Equilibrium - Opportunity cost - Utility - Money - Production - Firms - National Income Accounting - Consumption - Savings - Investment - Government budget - Inflation - Public Finance- Private capital/ Social capital - the need for Government
	Lecture 2	2 hrs	<i>Basics of Finance</i> - Why invest? - Return to capital - Maximizing net present worth - Project evaluation - Sources of funds - Investment instruments - Stocks/shares/debt instruments/fixed deposits/sovereign bonds/gold bonds
2nd week	Lecture 1	2 hrs	<i>Fiscal Policy</i> - Various concepts in public finance - Government expenditure and income tax - types - deficit - surplus - Centre vs State relations in Indian context
	Lecture 2	2 hrs	<i>Tax system</i> - FRBM Act - 2003 - Value-added tax - excise duty - service tax - sales tax - indirect tax reform - adoption of GST - Centre - State and Dual GST - implications for firms - consumers - Government
3rd week	Lecture 1	2 hrs	<i>Monetary policy</i> - reserve money - fractional reserves - how money multiplies - inflation targeting
	Lecture 2	2 hrs	<i>Various instruments</i> of monetary policy - reserve ratio - repo rate - reverse repo rate - call money market - Role of Reserve Bank of India and the Indian banking system
4th week	Lecture 1	2 hrs	<i>Banking</i> - interest rate - compound interest rate - why interest rates in advanced economies are near zero? <i>Store of value</i> - oil prices - gold and silver prices <i>Exchange rate</i> - why it is important? international organizations
	Lecture 2	2 hrs	MCQ exam - closing lecture - future directions for career in banking and finance

* These are useful to understand concepts of banking and finance.