M.A. ECONOMICS 2010-11 SEMESTER – I Paper – IV PUBLIC ECONOMICS

Unit – I

Meaning, Scope and Significance of Public Finance, Distinction between Private and Public Finance, Role of Government in organized Society, Principle of Maximum Social Advantage.

Unit – II

Provision of Public Goods – Voluntary exchange models – Impossibility of decentralized provision of Public Goods (Samuelson's contribution), Demand revealing schemes for Public Goods (Clarke, Grove and Ledyard), Tie bout model, Theory of Club Goods, Social Goods for correcting distributional inequalities and regional imbalances, Impure Public Goods.

Unit – III

Private and Public Mechanisms for allocating resources – Problems of Preference Revelation and Aggregation of Preferences – Voting systems – Arrow Impossibility Theorem – Political – Economic Interactions – Group interest, bureaucracy, Rent seeking and Directly unproductive profit seeking activities.

Unit – IV

Public Revenue – Sources, Classification, Non-tax revenue, Tax – Meaning, Types, Canons of Taxation, Objectives of Taxation, Problems of Justice in Taxation, Taxable capacity, Economic effects of Taxation, Incidence and Shifting of Taxation, Ability to Pay Theory.

Unit – V

Public Expenditure – Meaning and nature, Wagner's Law of increasing state activity, Wiseman-Peacock hypothesis, Pure theory of Public Expenditure, Comparison between private and public expenditure, Kinds of Public Expenditure, Canons of Public Expenditure, Effects of Public Expenditure.

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- 21ण वार्ष्णेय, जे. सी. राजस्व, साहित्य भवन पब्लिकेशन, आगरा।
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