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COURSE INTRODUCTION: BASIC ECONOMIC CONCEPTS FOR SOCIAL WORK

This course is for the second semester of Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) programme. In this course, there is detailed discussion of concepts related to economics that are significant for the knowledge of social workers. The objectives of this course are to understand the basic economic concepts, principles, theories and its application in social work profession and to understand and analyze economic problems with social work perspective.

The First Unit gives an introduction to the basic economic concepts necessary for the knowledge of social workers. The Second Unit discusses factors of production. The Third Unit explains the concepts of utility, demand and supply. The Fourth Unit discusses the economic systems. The Fifth Unit describes the role of the State and the new economic order. Sixth Unit explains the processes of economic planning and how it affects economic development. In the Seventh Unit, there is detailed discussion human capital, development and economic development and the Eighth Unit describes National Income Accounting; Poverty and Unemployment.

While going through a unit, you will notice some along-side boxes, which have been included to help you know some of the difficult, unseen terms. Some "ACTIVITY' (s) have been included to help you apply your own thoughts. Again, we have included some "CHECK YOUR PROGRESS" questions in between at the end of the units. These have been designed to self-check your progress of study. It will be better if you solve the problems put in these boxes immediately after you go through the sections of the units and then match your answers with "ANSWERS TO CHECK YOUR PPROGRESS" given at the end of each unit.