

MACEC 2.5.2 URBAN ECONOMICS (Optional Paper)

Module I: Process of Urbanization

Factors influencing urbanization - Different stages of urbanization - Features of Urbanization trends in India and other countries. Issues in Urbanization policies.

Module II: Development of Urban Spatial Structure and Growth

Contribution to the theory of the development of Urban Spatial Structure - R.M.Haig, Gutunburg, Lowdown Wingo Jr. Richard Muth, Burgess Theories of Urban Growth Analysis - Central Place Theory; Human Geological Approach, Economic Basic Theory.

Module III: Urban Labour Market

Characterisation of the Urban Labour Market - Problems of Urban Unemployment in India - Urban employment policies of the Union Govt.

Module IV: Urban Transport Sector

Development of a good transport network in Urban area - Problems of transport Congestion - Negative impacts on Urban Environment - Problems of Financing Urban Transport Sector in India - Urban Transport Policies.

Module V: Migration and Urbanization

Migration - Urbanization Cause - Effect - Relationships - Pollution - Controlling measures, with reference to India - Migration controlling measures in India.

Module VI: Urban Housing Sector:

Problems of Urban Housing - Nature and Magnitude, Housing Finance Markets in India - Different Institutions in Housing Finances - Limitations - Urban Property Taxes - Recent Measures.

Module VII: Urban Land Use Planning

Economics of Urban Land Development and distribution - Role of Urban Development Organizations (UDO) - Their problems with reference to India - Urban Planning and Urban Land use Planning - Different Techniques - Control of Urban Land Use Pattern in India - Recent trends in the urban real estate policies in India.

Module VIII: Urban Spatial Structure

Theories: R.M. Haig, Guttenburg, Lowdown Wings, Richard Muth, Bugress-Part Contribution.

Module IX: Theories of Urban Growth

Economics, Base, Central places, Human Ecological and Communications Theories and their critique.

Module X: Urban Public Economy

Urban public sector - supply and demand for urban public services - Goals of urban governments and its primay; Consumer's preference for urban Public Services; The spill over problem - Urban government finances and problems with special reference to India.

Module XI: Urban Development Organisation (UDO)

Origin, spread and multiplicity - Conflicts between DUO's and Municipal Governments - Problems of UDO's with special reference to India.

Module XII: Urban Planning

Concept, objectives; cost benefit analysis and allied techniques: Urban Planning in India. Urban Land - Use Planning in India.

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