# Advanced Development Economics – Selected Topics, Summer- 2017 An Outline

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The purpose of this course is to provide a rigorous introduction to certain key factors, historical as well as emerging, that have shaped the general economic and social landscape of the developing world since 1950s. While our main focus will be the set of factors that determine growth and prosperity of the economically disadvantaged, we shall reflect on broader aspects of Development beyond Economic Growth, which deals with poverty and inequality, education, health etc. Our method will be essentially analytical with strong emphasis on theoretical mechanisms and relevant empirical findings. We shall draw from important texts and papers and restructure materials to fit the course requirement. The list of topics we shall cover in this course are as follows.

- 1. Development Economics and Economic Development A Historical Overview Growth Vs. Development (Lecture 1)
- 2. Economic Growth under Ideal and Non-Ideal Conditions (Lecture 2)
- 3. Convergence, Divergence and Poverty Traps Role of Imperfect Credit Market (lecture 2 and 3)
- 4. Behavioural Complexities Status Effect, Growth and Malnutrition (Lecture 3)
- 5. Labour Market Issues Rural-Urban Migration, Informal Sector, Efficiency Wage Hypothesis (Lecture 4 and 5)
- 6. Open Economy Issues Trade and Growth, Openness and Inequality (Lecture 5 and 6)
- 7. Political Economy Perspective Growth vs. Redistribution, Economic Reform , Corruption and Growth (Lecture 6 and 7)
- 8. Development Economics and Clinical Policy Experiments (Lecture 8)
- 9. Paper Presentations (9 and 10)

Following are some of the resources we will use along with the lecture notes. General

Readings/Books for an Overview (Exact details can be found in the web)

- 1. William Easterly Elusive Quest For Growth
- 2. Acemoglu and Robinson Why Nations Fail
- 3. Banerjee and Duflo Poor Economics
- 4. Debraj Ray Development Economics-Text Book and His Chapter in Palgrave

Dictionary of Economics (2007)

- 5. Robert Lucas- Lectures on Economic Growth (1998)
- 6. Richard Baldwin The Great Convergence Harvard University Press (2017)
- 7. Fiscal Policy and Inequality (International Monetary Fund, 2016)

#### **Reference Books**

- 1. Kaushik Basu Analytical Development Economics, MIT Press
- 2. Acharyya and Kar International Trade and Economic Development, OUP
- 3. Marjit and Kar The Outsiders Economic Reform and Informal Labor in a Developing Economy -OUP

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- 19. Rebelo, S. (1991) "Long-run policy analysis and long-run growth", *Journal of political Economy*, 99(3), 500-521.
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- 21. Grossman, G. M., & Helpman, E. (1993) "Endogenous innovation in the theory of growth", (No. w4527). National Bureau of Economic Research.
- 22. Grossman, G. M., & Helpman, E. (1993) "Innovation and growth in the global economy", MIT press.
- 23. Romer-Rivera Batiz (NBER, 1990)

#### Research Articles for Lectures 4 and 5

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- 2. S. Marjit, R. Acharyya (2003) "International Trade, Wage Inequality and the Developing Economy A General Equilibrium Approach" Springer Verlag Heidelberg.
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