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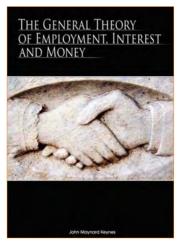
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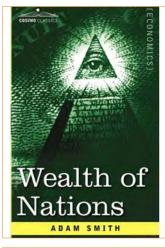
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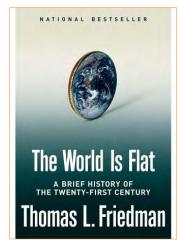
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- 17. "Money and Inflation", (Note), IESE, 0-398-086, ASEN 206 E
- "Note on Money and Monetary Policy" (Note), Harvard Business School, 9-797
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- 19. "The Economic Gains From Trade: Theories of Strategic Trade" (Note), Harvard Business School, 9-796-184
- 20. "The Macro Economics of An Open Economy" (Note), IESE, 0-398-088, ASEN 208-E
- 21. "Unemployment and Inflation" (Note), IESE, 0-398-085, ASEN 205-E
- 22. "Aggregate Demand and Aggregate Supply" (Note), IESE, 0-398-084, ASEN 204-E
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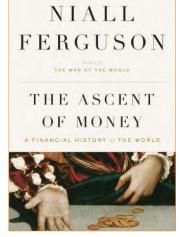


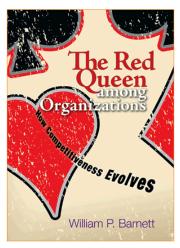
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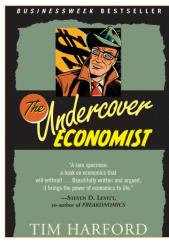


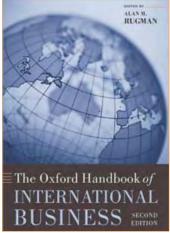


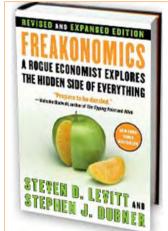


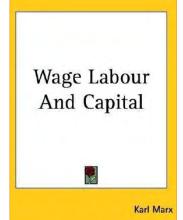


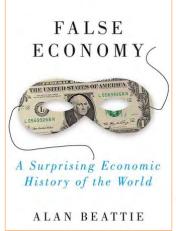














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Chapter	Detailed Syllabus	Session	Key Concepts	Case Study	Abstract	Background Reading/ Additional Reading
Introduction to Economic Analysis	Microeconomics vs Macro- economics, Goals of Macroeconomic policy, Objectives and Instruments of Macroeconomics	1	Meaning of Macro- economics, Difference between Micro and Macro- economics, Key Concepts of Macro- economics	1. Irish Economy: A Model of Success	In 1988, The Economist described Ireland as 'The poorest of the rich', while comparing the island republic with its European counterparts. Barely a decade later, the magazine called it 'Europe's shining light'. Ireland changed the global perception about its economy when, in 1999, its per capita GDP of €23,410 surpassed that of Britain's €22,760. Ireland also ranked 9th in per capita output, among the industrial nations, up from 22nd in 1993. Ireland's success was largely due to the new fiscal and monetary policies which it adopted in 1987. The case study analyses the macroeconomic policy objectives of an economy like economic growth, full employment and price stability in the context of Ireland's economy. The case study also facilitates in understanding the instruments of macroeconomic policies namely fiscal and monetary polices to achieve the above objectives.	 Chapter 20, "Overview of Macroeconomics", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th edition "Measure for measure", http://www.nber.org/~rosenbla/econ110/lecture/ireland.pdf, October 14th 2004 Power Jim, "Obituary For The Irish Pound", http://www.ibf.ie/pdfs/ibrs99.pdf
				2. Entrepreneurship in Ghana: Government Initiatives	Ghana, a nation that remained for long as one of the poorest economies of the world, had become an emerging economy in Africa by 2005. Its gross domestic product growth rate, at 4%, between 1990 and 2004, has surpassed that of the other sub-Saharan nations (2%) and rest of the world (3%). Structural transformation of the economy from state controls to free market under the	"Macroeconomic Stability, Growth and Poverty Reduction in Ghana", http:// www.arts.cornell.edu/poverty/ kanbur/ GhanallFullDocument.pdf, October 2001

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	State-owned Enterprises – Redefining the Role of Government	has seen stupendous growth aggregating over 10% for five successive years till 2007. Where economies of the world over are advocating capitalism, China has embarked on becoming a 'socialist market economy', with the State continuing to play an important role in the development of the economy. Chinese State-owned Enterprises (SOEs) are making news with a number of them appearing on the global lists of the world's top companies. Domestically too, despite a thriving private sector, some of the most profitable companies continue to be state-owned. China may have undertaken liberalisation but politically the state continues to dominate major areas of economic activity. The case has been written with a view to understand government's role in business. Giving the facts that contributed to the growth of China's economy in general and the restructuring and development of its SOEs in particular, this case leads to an argument on – does state control on enterprises and protectionism hinder growth and is state-ownership a dead-hand? Are China's SOEs well-equipped to compete in the cut-throat global environment without the	Prospects and Challenges for Chinese Companies on the World Stage", http://www-935.ibm.com/services/us/imc/pdf/g510-6269-going-global.pdf, 2006 • Xiaolian Hu, "China's Approach to Reform", http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/fandd/2007/09/xiaolian.htm,

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Measuring National output/ Income	Concept of national product, Variants of national product, Methods of measuring national Income and problems of measuring, Real Vs Nominal, Price indices and its applications	2	Gross Domestic Product, Gross National Product and its Measures, Real GDP, Nominal GDP	4. National Income Accounting: A Case Study of China	This case study was written primarily to illustrate and to know the calculation of GDP, GNP, Nominal GDP, Real GDP and the related concepts in the backdrop of China's economy. After three decades of central planning it was time for China to emerge from isolation and become an important player in the world economy. Economic reforms since 1978 have taken China to a new trajectory of growth. Evolving into a controlled-open economy has synchronised the movement of macroeconomic variables like growth rate, inflation and exchange rate, with the rest of the world. Any policy change in China now has its impact on the world economy.	 Chapter 2, "National Income: Basic Concepts and Related Aggregates", Introductory macroeconomics, Reddy K.S. and Poonam Mathur. Chapter 1, "The Nature of Regression Analysis"; Chapter 2, "Two Variable Regression Analysis: Some Basic Ideas" and Chapter 3, "Two Variable Regression The Problem of Estimation", Basic Econometrics, Gujarati Damodar, 4th edition. Chapter 2, "How markets Determine Incomes", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus,
				5. Bhutan's Gross National Happiness: An Economic Reality or Wishful Thinking?	In the 18th century, British philosopher and economist Jeremy Bentham advocated that the ultimate goal of state policy ought to be maximisation of happiness of its citizens. But measurement of happiness has remained elusive for the welfare economists and government establishments alike. The shortcomings of Marshallian cardinal measure of well-being and the illegitimacy of interpersonal comparison of well-being led to surrogate measurement of a country's development in terms of GDP which was	• Kringelbach Morten L., "Searching the Brain for Happiness", http:// news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/ programmes/ happiness_formula/ 4880272.stm, May 2 nd 2006 • Rudin M., "The Science of Happiness", http://



					believed to be the obvious means of happiness. When disconnect between GDP and happiness became manifest in available data of various countries across space and time, it was realised that GDP is merely one among the many means and lost its relevance in happiness matrix after a certain threshold level. This is because GDP addresses mere physical or material needs of human beings while people do have other important needs as well, such as spiritual and emotional. Confronted with this outward experience and conditioned by its own Buddhist impulse, Bhutan has embarked upon designing a new measure of development, called Gross National Happiness (GNH). Aided and encouraged by the recent progress in happiness research, Bhutan attempts to track happiness directly instead of sticking to the imperfect proxy route of GDP. In the process, the Bhutanese experiment sparks debates on the issue involving various concepts pertaining to National Income Accounting and Welfare Economics. This case helps analyse the shortcomings of conventional measures such as GNP, GDP, NNP, NDP and other relevant variants. The case also helps in understanding the difficulties in measuring happiness and also appreciating the relevance of concepts such as Easterlin's Paradox, MEW, HDI, externalities, Pareto optimality, aspiration treadmill and relative income hypothesis.	news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/programmes/4783836.stm, April 30 th 2006
Aggregate Demand and	Meaning of AD and AS curves,	3	Aggregate Demand and	6.Lecture	This note is primarily developed with the objective of providing basic explanation to AS-AD model, for tyros of	Chapter 3, "Determination of Income and Employment",
Aggregate Supply	Demand function for labour, supply		Supply, Classical and	Framework of Aggregate	macroeconomics. Aggregate supply and aggregate demand establishes the relationship between price level	Introductory macroeconomics, Reddy K S and Poonam Mathur
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function of labour, Labour market equilibrium under classical and Keynesian models		and real production that is used to understand business cycles, gross domestic product, unemployment and inflation. The AS-AD model, motivated by standard market model, captures interaction between aggregate demand (the buyers) and short-run and long-run aggregate supply (the sellers). This model includes macroeconomic aggregates which keeps the students focused on relationship between employment level and output level, providing the aggregate supply equation – a relationship between price level and production level firms. The model was first proposed by John Maynard Keynes in The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money and has since become the foundation for the modern macroeconomics. As a rare consensus, economists from monetarist supporters of Laissez-faire, such as Milton Friedman to socialist supporters, such as Joan Robinson have accepted the model as the base for managing macroeconomic aggregates.	Chapter 3, "Basic Elements of Supply and Demand", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16 th edition
	7. Is Keynes still Relevant?	When the US citizens were rollicking in the soaring optimism of the roaring twenties of the last century, suddenly their economy was caught off-guard in a scary crash at the penultimate year that decade. As it lingered on long, the distilled essence of the reigning classical economics made no sense in that spooky scenario. It stood to ridicule as stark actuality stared to gobble the theory. But no credible alternative framework was in place to lean upon. During those darkening days, in came J.M. Keynes with the bombshell of a book <i>The General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money</i> . It not only demolished many a classical	Krugman Paul, "Introduction to The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money, by John Maynard Keynes", www.pkarchive.org/ economy/ GeneralTheoryKeynesIntro.html Samuelson Paul A. and Nordhaus William D., "Monetarism and the Demand for Money", Economics,



myths such as paradox of thrift, supply creates its own demand, wage cut expands employment and so on, but also presented a cogent doctrine to lift the economy from slump. Keynes' brilliant insight could detect that instability is the name of the game and to fight it, the artillery is government intervention - but not to the extent that the Marxists recommended for. The case runs a whole hog of logic and reality as regards efficacy of Keynesian medication when countries are afflicted with economic downturn. As the US Financial Crisis of 2008 - traced to the housing bubble - cries out for solution and the bailout plan put in place in the name of Keynesianism seems at best half-cock in success, the relevance of Keynes - who guns for direct government intervention – resonates in the powerhouse of policymakers. Whether Keynesian economics is a real remedy for the downslide or whether it is worse than the malady is a stimulating question that the case poses and ponders over. Whether Keynesianism suffers from the 'Broken Window Fallacy' or it breaks free the economies of the world from the shackles of slump; whether it masks a debt-driven festering bubble in the underbelly of yet another bigger bubble propped up by yet higher leverage or it truly re-stirs the resources that have gone into forced idleness are the aspects discussed and dissected. In doing so, the case revives the debate apropos the relevance of the great economist even six decades after his demise. The counterfoil provided by monetarism, supply-side economics and the Austrian school of thought only sharpens the issue.

- (ISBN 0-07-0546851), Mc Graw-Hill, Inc., 1985 Chapter 16, page 325
- John Maynard Keynes, "The Principle of Effective Demand", The General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money, http://search.yahoo.com/search?ei=utf-8&fr=slv8-acer&p=General%20Theory%%2c%20Interest%20and%20Money%20by%20John%20Maynard%20Keynes, Chapter 3, page 17

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Determination of Equilibrium Income	Components of aggregate Demand, Consumption function, Marginal propensity to Consume, Determinants of Consumption, Saving function, Investment function, Determinants of Investment,	4	Aggregate Demand, Consumption, Savings and Investment functions, Marginal Propensity to Consume and Save, Net Exports.	8. Economics of Savings	In any economy, savings provide not only required capital for economic growth but also ensure further demand in the economy. Adam Smith said, 'at portion which he annually saves, as for the sake of the profit it is immediately employed as a capital, is consumed in the same mannerbut by a different set of people'. But some economists argue that spending will create its own demand and therefore savings are not that important. In the last quarter of the 20th century, western countries, Anglo-Saxon nations in particular, have embraced this notion and encouraged their populace to spend more. By the turn of the 20th century, these nations were saddled with low saving rates, some even with negative, New Zealand, for example. And this has set some economists to rethink the savings philosophy.	Chapter 22, "Consumption and Investment", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. ordhaus, 16th Edition "The coming Demographic Deficit: How Aging Populations Will Reduce Global Savings", www.mckinsey.com/mgi/reports/pdfs/MGI_DemographicDeficit.pdf
	Government spending, Net exports, determination of equilibrium output (income)			9. Business Confidence? Very High; Consumer Spending? Very Low: How to get the German Consumer to Spend More?	The world's third-largest economy, Germany, witnessed a CAGR of just 1% during the period 1999–2004, which was one of the lowest in the G8 countries. Low consumer spending was cited as the main reason for the dismal economic performance, which had resulted in low domestic demand and high unemployment rates. However, in 2006, Germany's business confidence index reached a 15-year high, invigorating the economy. Meanwhile, analysts projected it to be a temporary phenomenon, which was the result of the frenzied infrastructure development and business activities in preparation for hosting the 2006 FIFA World Cup.	Weilrich Heinz, "Analyzing Competitive advantages and disadvantages of Germany with the TOWS Matrix-an alternative to Porter's Model", European Business Review, November 6*1999, Volume99, pages 9–22 Atkins Ralph and Milne Richard, "German business climate at 15-year high", www.ft.com/ cms/s/8d30e792-05b8-11db- 9dde-0000779e2340.html, June 28th 2006

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Product market	Shifts in spending/ Aggregate Expenditure, Concept of multiplier – simple multiplier, investment multiplier, multiplier in the presence of taxes and balanced budget, foreign	5	Concept of Multiplier	10. The Burgeoning Indian Economy: Signs of Overheating?	The Indian economy, for most of its independent history, was under the strangles of the Licence Raj. But it opened up in 1991. Subsequently, its economic activity was integrated with the global economy and record growth ensued. However, by mid-2000s, Indian economy is rattled as most economic variables – such as stock indices, interest rates and fiscal deficit – were displaying negative signs. Moreover, its economic growth mostly rode on the success of liberalising several sectors, at the cost of others sectors. Policymakers would have a tough time tackling these economic imbalances. Effects of economic reforms on various sectors and their effectiveness can be thoroughly	 Chapter 27, "The Process of Economic Growth"; Chapter 28, "The Challenge of Economic Development", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th edition Mitra Pritha, "Has Government Investment Crowded Out Private Investment in India?", www.aeaweb.org/annual_mtg_papers/2006/
	trade multiplier.				discussed through this case. Economic impact of monetary and fiscal policies needn't be neglected.	 0108_1015_0102.pdf Shirai Sayuri, "Assessment of India's banking sector Reforms from the perspective of the Governance of the banking system", www.unescap.org/ drpad/publication/fin_2206/ part4.pdf
Money market	Functions of money, Demand for money and supply of money- Determination of interest rates, Real vs nominal interest rateHicks - Hansen Model: IS – LM	6	Demand and Supply of Money, Interest Rates, Investment and Savings, Liquidity of Money and Money Supply, Real and	11. Demand for and Supply of Money: A Case of India	This case study primarily helps in understanding the estimation/calculation of money supply in an economy. This case also helps in analysing the determinants of money supply and the interrelations between those determinants, apart from understanding various theories relating to money demand and supply along with theories on monetary policies. In economics, money is a broad term that refers to any financial instrument that can fulfil the functions of money – a medium of exchange, a unit of account, a standard of deferred payment and a store of value. Money supply is	

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Nominal Interest Rates		usually measured as three escalating categories: M1 (most liquid financial instruments), M2 (equals to M1 + and savings account deposits), and M3 (M2 plus time deposits). It helps in understanding the theories relating to supply for and demand of money in the light of changes in money supply in India during 1990–2008. The case also helps in analysing income velocity of money with the data provided.	
	12. IS and LM Functions: General Equilibrium of Product Market and Money Market	The note is prepared with the objective of explaining the IS-LM model – also referred to as Hicks and Hansen IS-LM model, which establishes interrelations between various macroeconomic variables that determine investments in an economy – to beginners in macroeconomics. The IS-LM approach has a long history behind it. Roy Harrod, James Meade and Oskar Lange attempted to establish relationships in Keynesians theory of employment, interest and money as equations. The attempt was to explain how the theory of effective demand and the theory of liquidity preference depend on and affect each other. In a similar effort, John Hicks, in his famous Econometrica article, "Mr Keynes and the Classics: A suggested interpretation", illustrated these relationships through two curves, SI-LL, which have become famously known as the IS-LM model. Though, proposed by Hicks, the curves were popularised by Alvin Hansen and thus, the name Hicks and Hansen IS-LM model. IS-LM model focuses on the demand side of an economy – the relationship between national income and the aggregate demand. Thus, it takes money supply as the exogenous variable and keeps the student's focus on	Mohan Rakesh, "Growth Record of the Indian Economy, 1950-2008: A Story of Sustained Savings and Investment", http:// www.bis.org/review/ r080218c.pdf



					the important connections between the money supply, interest rates and economic activity. The model has been hailed as one of the most intriguing pedagogical tool and as one of the most efficient tools devised in economics. It is not, however, without shortcomings, both as an self-sufficient model or as a representation of Keynes's theory.	
Business Cycles	Features of business cycle, Business cycle theories	7	Business Cycle and Foundations of Aggregate Demand	13. US Financial Crisis: Is Great Depression II in the Making?	This case study is written primarily to answer one simple, yet inconclusive question: Should US Financial Crisis (2008) be termed Great Depression II? The Great Depression of the 1930s is such a traumatic economic experience that whenever there is any slump in economic activity, a spontaneous spooky sense occupies people's mindscape. The case study relates the US Financial Crisis of 2008 to the Great Depression of 1929 by taking into consideration the key magnitudes of the economic decline in those days and at present. The benefits of hindsight, the state of global integration, the availability of policy options – then and now – have also been touched upon. In the process, the case analyses an array of concepts like economic slowdown, recession, depression, various gauges to judge the severity of the economic downturn, various indicators of recession, Baltic freight index, subprime mortgage, housing bubble, CDO, CDS, Minsky moment, monetary policy, fiscal policy, Phillips curve, stagflation, etc. It also goes on an exploration of the causes of the Great Depression as pointed out by Keynesians, Monetarists, Marxists and neo-classical Misesians; the cures prescribed by them; the measures actually implemented; and the degree of success achieved. Whether – in the realm of an economy – history repeats itself or merely rhymes, come off as the main focus as the case uncovers.	Chapter 23, "Business Cycles and the Theory of Aggregate Demand", Economics, Paul A. amuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th edition
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				14. Japan: Employing the Unemployed	After World War II, Japan focused all its efforts on its economy. The country's gross domestic product grew by stunning rates during the 1950s,1960s, and 1970s and continued as the world's second-largest economy through the 1980s. In the 'lost decade' that followed, it seemed as though the 'Japanese miracle' was being dismantled by the long-lasting recession in the economy. As downturns in the economy reflected surges in the unemployment rates, measures to create employment had become a key issue in government policy, especially in the wake of increasing corporate restructuring.	 Khan Hussain, "Japan: the rising specter of unemployment", http://www.atimes.com/atimes/Japan/EK01Dh01.html, November 1st 2003 French Howard W., "In Unemployment itself, a hint of hope for Japan", http://research.yale.edu/wwkelly/restricted/Japan_journalism/NYT_010909.htm, September 9th 2001
Unemploy- ment	Types of unemployment: Okun's Law, Impact of unemployment	8	Unemploy- ment, Measuring Unemploy- ment, Impact of Unemploy- ment, Okun's Law, Different Types of Un- Employment	15. The French 35-hour workweek	In 1997, the French government passed a legislation bringing down the official workweek from 39 to 35 hours. The legislation was driven by the government's belief that reduced work time and a cap on overtime would allow them to distribute jobs over the populace and thereby reduce unemployment levels. Though the initial results were encouraging, there were certain industries that started to feel that the legislation was against their interests. Voices of dissent began to escalate when unemployment levels shot up between 2002 and 2003. Intense debates over the usefulness of the 35-hour workweek raised doubts about its continuation.	 Chapter 29, "Unemployment and the Foundation of Aggregate Supply", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th edition Shields J.G., "Europe's other landslide: the French national assembly elections of May-June 1997", The Political Quarterly, October–December 1997, Volume 68, Issue 4, page 412

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Monetary policy and the role of banking system	Deposit creation, Balance sheet of a central bank, Measures of monetary and liquidity aggregates, Money multiplier, Instruments of money supply control, Determination of money supply	9	Money Multiplier, Monetary Policy, Monetary Mechanisms	16. Monetary Policy: Hungary vs Poland	Hungary and Poland, two of the fastest growing economies in central Europe, are to join the European Union in May 2004. Since the 1980s, both countries had experienced unfavourable political and economic conditions. Both had a history of hyperinflation, high levels of foreign debt and a poor institutional and economic framework. During the 1990s, these countries went through a transitional phase and intensified their efforts for economic revival. By January 2004, with an efficient monetary policy, Poland had been successful in curbing the inflation and achieving price stability. In contrast, Hungary was struggling with high interest rates, though its macroeconomic policies were similar to that Poland embraced.	Chapter 26, "Central Banking and Monetary Policy", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16 th edition Chapter 6, "Money", Introductory Macroeconomics, Reddy K S and Poonam Mathur
				17. Inflation Targeting as a Monetary Policy Tool: The Case of Bank of England	Since Adam Smith's time, stable price level has been a gospel. The assumption – that economic growth, when achieved at a healthy inflation level, will defuse economic turbulences – makes economists and policymakers formulate the right dosage of inflation. Many policies and mechanisms, to hit that right balance, have been professed and implemented in various economies. Their efficiency has been put to litmus test every time the respective economies felt a riffle, notwithstanding the intensity. The latest addition to these mechanisms is inflation targeting. Though New Zealand has been the harbinger of inflation targeting, its success in the UK for a decade and half has won it large fanfare. UK adopted inflation targeting, more out of compulsion than conviction in 1992,	 Chapter 30, "Ensuring Price Stability", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th Edition Mankiw Gregory and Reis Ricardo, "What Measure of Inflation should a Central Bank Target", August 2002, http:// www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/ scpwps/ecbwp170.pdf



					when it needed an anchor to induce monetary discipline and guide all other variables. From then on, the new mechanism has been delivering goods till 2007, when for the first time it strayed from its target. Doubters have not refrained from casting shadows over the efficacy of inflation targeting and are preaching new mechanisms. This case study helps discuss the effectiveness of inflation targeting as a monetary policy tool in a globalised environment and also to debate over the central bank's role in striking a balance between growth and inflation.	
				18. China's Banks and the Overheating Economy	China embarked on its 'open door policy' in 1978 under the leadership of Deng Xiaoping. The purpose was to bring about a transition in its centrally planned economy towards a market economy. The banks were supposed to play a major role in carrying out the reformist agenda of the country. Since then the country has achieved a phenomenal GDP (gross domestic product) growth rate making it the fastest growing economy of the world. This case study was primarily targeted at understanding the effect of Chinese economic reforms on the country's banking sector. The case also helps in analysing the role of banking system in implementing monetary policy and its reaction to spiraling inflation.	 Chapter 30, "Ensuring Price Stability", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th Edition "Deepening Reform: The wayout for China's Banking Sector Facing the WTO Challenges", http://course.jingpinke.com/wenxue/guanliyingyu/Supplementary/Wayout%20for%20China's%20 Banking%20Sector%20Facing%20the%20WTO%20 Challenges.doc.
Price Instability	Types of inflation, Economic impacts of inflation, price in	10	Inflation and different types of inflation, Phillips curve	19. Inflation Measure: CPI or WPI?	Inflation has been a nagging problem plaguing the economies across the world at various times. As negative effects of inflation are enormous, adoption of various anti-inflationary policies becomes inevitable. Inflation	Chapter 30, "Ensuring Price Stability", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16 th edition

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the AD-AS framework		targeting and its measurement have become the prerequisites in the macroeconomic policy matrix of the economies. Inflation being a significant economic concept affecting decision-making in business firms or other management units, there is an attempt to resolve the dilemma whether Consumer Price Index (CPI) or Wholesale Price Index (WPI) is to be adopted as a measure of inflation. Though most of the major economies of the world have opted for CPI, WPI has its own merits too. As CPI and WPI differ conceptually in terms of their purpose and use, commodity coverage, weights, associated markets and the base year, both often show difference in direction and magnitude. Consequently, the choice continues to be difficult, if not arbitrary.	 "Basic Index Number Theory", http://www.imf.org/external/np/sta/tegppi/ch15.pdf Schwartz J. Anna, "Money Supply", http://www.econlib.org/library/Enc/MoneySupply.html Brian F. Michael, "On the Origin and Evolution of the Word Inflation", http://www.clevelandfed.org/research/Commentary/1997/1015.pdf, October 15th 1997 Friedman Milton, "Noble lecture: Inflation and unemployment", http://www.hilbertcorporation.com.ar/nobellecturemf.pdf, June 1977
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				27. Trade Blocs, Free Trade Agreements and Preferential Trade Agreements:	World War II left devastated a lot many industrialised economies. One way to recoup was to mutually trade with those closer to home. Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs) were the norm in Europe, leading the way in 1950s with the initiation of European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC). Since then, the increasing number of regional trade blocs reflected an urge to integrate economies – for the potential benefits of scale, competition and location, offered by free	 Chapter 31, "Open-Economy Macroeconomics", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and William D. Nordhaus, 16th edition Friedman Thomas L., "The Lexus and the Olive Tree", Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1999, (ISBN 0-374-19203-0)



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Supply Crunch?	knee-jerk responses to banish food crisis get merely as temporary palliatives and long-term reliance then simply spawns boomerang effects. Various features behind food productivity have been explored and the trade offs faced in the food front discussed. The case study debates over globalisation vs food sovereignty, mechanisation of agriculture vs loss of crop land to urbanisation, GM seeds vs farmers' seed autonomy, agrochemical inputs vs soil fertility, irrigation vs environmental preservation while stressing the importance of research in food production. The case examines the cost-benefit aspects of rocket food. Whether global food crisis is to be imputed to adverse climate change coupled with rising population or it is an offshoot of purchasing powers in the lands of marginalised is the point worth one's pondering.	Cookson Clive, "A Time to Sow: GM Food Could Help Keep A Lid on the Cost of Staples", Financial Times, July 11 th 2008, page 6
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33. Comparative Cost Advantage and the American Outsourcing Backlash	Offshoring had become a contentious issue during the US Presidential elections. The roots of the controversy sprang from the disparaging growth of jobs in the US despite economic recovery. Proponents of offshoring derived their arguments from the theory of comparative advantage. They believed that it was in America's best interest to take advantage of low cost, skilled labour in countries like India. Studies showed that the net benefit of offshoring was greater to the US and that it helped create rather than destroy jobs in the parent country. Research also pointed out that the major cause of anaemic job growth was the productivity gains by US companies and that newer and better paying jobs would soon be created, albeit with some short run friction. Detractors, however, believed that export of service jobs, or offshoring, was the major reason for job losses. They rejected the application of the theory of comparative advantage, as its assumptions of the immobility of labour and capital were not being satisfied in the case of outsourcing.	Chapter 35, "Comparative Advantage and Protectionism", Economics, Paul A. Samuelson and Willam D. Nordhaus, 16th edition "Outsourcing Strategically for Sustainable Competitive Advantage", http://www.capsresearch.org/publications/pdfs-public/monczka2005es.pdf "The Economics of Outsourcing", http://www.strassmann.com/pubs/iej/2004-06-a.pdf "The Economics and Politics of Outsourcing", http://www.economics.harvard.edu/faculty/mankiw/papers/Outsourcing%20-20march%207%202006.pdf
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Business Environment in Indian context	Growth phase, Evolution of institutional framework – emphasis on planning, public and private sector, Recent policy measures- monetary fiscal, foreign trade and technology.	13	Five-year Plans in India, Growth Phase, Growth of Different Sectors in the Country, Open Economy	35. India as an Outsourcing Destination	Since the late 20th century, Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) to the developing countries by the companies of the developed nations had become more a necessity than an option. Outsourcing was viewed as an effective business strategy as it offered much more than just cost advantage. By 2003, India had become a major global outsourcing destination because of its high intellectual capital, a huge population of English-speaking graduates, lower compensation costs, strong information technology infrastructure and a sustained government support. In the early 21st century, although India witnessed a rapid growth of BPO companies, it was facing competition from other potential BPO destinations like China, Ireland, Russia and Mexico. To strengthen its competitive edge and further maintain and develop its core competencies, India was required to quickly move up the value chain and provide tailored services suited for different customer needs.	 James Brian Quinn and Frederick G.Hilmer, "Strategic outsourcing", The McKinsey Quarterly 1995, Number1, pages 48–70 Vivek Agrawal and Diana Farrell, "Who wins in offshoring", The McKinsey Quarterly 2003, Special edition, pages 36–41 Arie Y. Lewin and Carine Peters, "The Top-Line Allure of Offshoring", Harvard Business Review, March 2006, pages 1–3 Diana Farrell, Noshin Kaka and Sascha Stürze, "Ensuring India's offshoring future", The McKinsey Quarterly 2005, Special edition, pages 74–83 Sunish Sharma, Rahul Sood and Marc Vollenweider, Globalizing Services, The

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37. Indian
Automobile
Industry: Is it
Going to be
the 'Global
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In 1984, Government of India and Suzuki motors from Japan, formed a joint venture and launched Maruti 800 popularly known as 'Peoples Car', which went on to become one of the highest sold car and created a new segment in the automobile market. Since 1998, the South Korean carmakers – Hyundai with its Santro line up and Daewoo with its Matiz – ushered in variety and vigour to the Indian small car market segment. However, year 2009 proved to be the year of small cars in India, for, apart from the historical launch of world's cheapest car – Tata's Nano – the year also saw the launch of 40 new models of small cars.

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The year 2009 also, as many industry *pundits* argue, has been a watershed year for global automobile industry forcing many changes and thrusting quite a few strategic redirections amongst many global auto majors the prime strategic reorientation being the focus being small cars. Added to that, almost all the companies stated the intent of making India as their production base for small cars. All these developments lead to an important question: Can India be the hub for small cars?

This case study deals with the opportunities available to the Indian automobile industry and all the enabling factors available that could transform India into a global small car hub. The case analyses in depth why the small car segment is lucrative and also discusses the interest shown by all global automobile giants in investing in Indian car industry. The case also discusses the support provided by government agencies and the challenges which need to be addressed, quickly, if India has to become the global small car hub.

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