

SES's L.S.RAHEJA COLLEGE OF ARTS AND COMMERCE

(AUTONOMOUS)



Syllabus of Kautilya's Arthashastra under NEP 2020 for Bachelors of Arts (BA) Subject specific IKS (2 credits) Sem II

Department of Economics

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Programme: Bachelors of Arts			Semester : II		
Course : Kautilya's Arthashastra (Subject specific IKS)			Code:		
Academic Year: 2024-2025			Batch: 2024-2027		
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Teaching Scheme			Evaluation Scheme		
Lectures	Practical	Tutorials	Credits	Internal Continuous Assessment (ICA) (weightage)	Term End Examinations (TEE) (weightage)
30	Nil	Nil	02	20 marks/40% of the total marks	30 marks/60% of the total marks

Particulars	%
Class tests / Assignment / Project / Quiz etc. (three components- to be conducted at different instants of time)	40
Class test, Quiz/presentation/Viva-Voce (OR)	10+05+05=20 Marks
Assignment/Project, Quiz and presentation/Viva-Voce	10+05+05=20 Marks

Learning Objectives :	1)To develop understanding of basic concepts of Kautilya's Artha shastra 2) To make learner aware about Kautilya's views on foreign policy and international trade in ancient times.
Learning Outcomes :	1) At the end of this course, the learner will be able to understand basic concepts of Kautilya's Artha shastra 2) At the end of this course, the learner will be able to critically analyse Kautilya's views on foreign policy and international trade.
Pedagogy:	ICT Based Pedagogy/ Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work /individual and group Assignments etc.

Detailed Syllabus: (per session plan) to be submitted along with Teaching Plan

Session Outline For : Kautilya's Arthashastra

Each lecture session would be of one hour duration (30 sessions).

Module	Module Content	Module Wise Pedagogy Used (only pointers)	Module Wise Duration/ Lectures

I	<p>Introduction : Introduction to Kautilya and Kautilya's Arthashastra, Kautilya views on State: The Saptang Theory, Revenue and Law and Order. Administration: Central, Local, Civil, Personnel and Financial, Principles of Public Administration. Comparison of Kautilya with Western Political Thinkers: Machiavelli, Aristotle and Plato, Taxation and Auditing by Kautilya</p>	<p>ICT Based Pedagogy/ Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work/ individual and group Assignments etc.</p>	15
II	<p>Kautilya's view on Foreign Trade & Policy: Basic principles of Foreign Policy, Mandala Theory, Defence and War, Kautilya's views on Trade, Export and Import Activities, Wholesale Trade and Retailing, Warehousing and Transportation. Kautilya's view on National Security</p>	<p>ICT Based Pedagogy/ Lecture/ Videos followed by discussion/Group work/ individual and group Assignments etc.</p>	15

Essential Readings

- 1) Introduction to Indian Knowledge System Concept and Applications: B. Mahadevan, Vinayak Rajat Bhat, Nagendra Pavana R.N.
- 2) Rahman, M., Byramjee, F., & Karim, R. (2014). Commercial practices in the ancient Indian peninsula: Glimpses from Kautilya's Arthashastra. *International Business & Economics Research Journal (IBER)*, 13(3), 653-658.
- 3) Vittal, V. (2011). Kautilya's Arthashastra: *A Timeless Grand Strategy* (Doctoral dissertation, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies).

Supplementary Readings

- 4) Jindal, N. (2019). Relevance of Kautilya in Contemporary International System. *International Journal of Historical Insight and Research (IJHIR)*.
- 5) Singh, M. P. (2017). Kautilya: Theory of state. *Indian Political Thought*, 1.

QUESTION PAPER PATTERN (2 credits course)

EXTERNAL EXAM PAPER PATTERN (30 MARKS) to be implemented under NEP 2020 from Academic Year 2024 -25

Q.1. Any 2 questions out of 3 on Module 1 (15 marks)

Q.2. Any 2 questions out of 3 on Module 2 (15 marks)

**Rubrics for Evaluation of Internal Continuous Assessment (20 marks)
to be implemented under NEP 2020 from Academic Year 2024 -25**

Sr No.	Examination Method	Marks	Marking Scheme	Criteria
1	Class Test	10	As per the student's score	MCQ, Short Answers, Diagrams
2	Assignment/ Project	05	Subject knowledge – 05 marks, Content – 03 marks, Presentation-02 marks	Topic will be given by faculty
3	Presentation	05	Subject knowledge- 03 marks, Presentation skills - 02 marks	Poster Presentation, PPT