

**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -14 (DSC-14)****Religion and Economy****CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE**

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical / Practice		
<b>Religion and Economy</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>Class XII pass</b>	<b>NIL</b>

(Teaching hours required: Theory, 45 hours; Practical, 30 hours)

**Course Objective**

The objective of the paper is to understand about various religious life and the economic life in diverse society using a comparative framework.

**Learning Outcomes**

By studying the paper, the students will be able to:

1. demonstrate understanding of various dimensions of religion, the rituals activities, etc.
2. identify the economic activities among traditional societies.
3. analyze the factors of changes regarding religious and economic life spheres.

**Syllabus:****Unit 1: (10 Hours)**

Concept and Meaning of Religion, Systems of Faith; distinction between Dharma and religion; Religious Symbols; Approaches to study religion: Types and forms of religious life.

**Unit 2: (11 Hours)**

Magic, religion and science; revivalism and conversions, religious pluralism and social harmony.

**Unit 3: (12 Hours)**

Concepts and Approaches; Reciprocity, Redistribution and Market: Ceremonial exchange, Gifts; Barter, Trade, Weekly Market, Money, Mela and Festivals.

**Unit 4: (12 Hours)**

Changes in Economic Patterns: Technology, Innovation, Trade; Traditional entrepreneurship/ Household and Cottage Industries; Temple economy and other institutions.

**Practical (30 Hours)**

1. Prepare a project on any social institutions (religion or economy) considering the socio-cultural aspects in our society.

2. Identify and review an ethnography/monograph revealing significant socio-cultural and economic imperative in the community.

## References

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6. Madan, T.N. (2011). *India's Religions: Perspectives from Sociology and History*. Oxford University Press.
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## Teaching Learning Process

Classroom teachings

Seminars, presentations and group discussion Practical classes

## Assessment Methods:

Examination schemes and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi from time to time.

## Keywords:

Religion, Symbols, Totemism, Exchange, Barter