UNIT-V STABILIZATION POLICY

Stabilization Policy

Money

Definitions:

1. Money: A medium of exchange, a unit of account, and a store of value.

2. Types of Money:

- o **Fiat Money:** Currency without intrinsic value that is used as money because of government decree.
- o Commodity Money: Money that has intrinsic value, like gold or silver.

Demand for Money

1. Transactionary Demand:

- Money held for everyday transactions.
- o Keynesian View: Depends on income level.

2. Speculative Demand:

- Money held for speculative purposes, to take advantage of future changes in the interest rate.
- o **Keynesian View:** Depends on interest rate expectations.

Supply of Money

1. Bank's Credit Creation Multiplier:

- o The process by which banks create money through lending.
- o **Formula:** Money Multiplier = 1 / Reserve Ratio.
- o **Example:** If the reserve ratio is 10%, the money multiplier is 10.

Integrating Money and Commodity Markets: IS-LM Model

1. IS Curve (Investment-Saving):

- o Represents equilibrium in the goods market.
- **Equation:** Y = C + I + G + (X M), where Y is income, C is consumption, I is investment, G is government spending, X is exports, and M is imports.

2. LM Curve (Liquidity Preference-Money Supply):

- o Represents equilibrium in the money market.
- Equation: M/P = L(Y, i), where M is the money supply, P is the price level, L is liquidity preference, Y is income, and i is the interest rate.

IS-LM Intersection:

• The point where the IS and LM curves intersect represents the general equilibrium in both the goods and money markets.

Business Cycles and Stabilization

1. Monetary Policy:

- o Conducted by the central bank to control the money supply and interest rates.
- o **Tools:** Open market operations, discount rate, reserve requirements.

2. Fiscal Policy:

- Conducted by the government to influence the economy through spending and taxation.
- o **Tools:** Government expenditure, taxation.

Central Bank and Government Roles:

- Central Bank: Manages monetary policy.
- Government: Manages fiscal policy.

The Classical Paradigm

1. Price and Wage Rigidities:

- o Prices and wages do not adjust immediately to changes in economic conditions.
- o Consequences: Can lead to unemployment and inefficiencies.

2. Voluntary and Involuntary Unemployment:

- **Voluntary Unemployment:** When individuals choose not to work at the prevailing wage rate.
- o **Involuntary Unemployment:** When individuals are willing to work at the prevailing wage rate but cannot find employment.