When I was doing my doctoral research in the area of Health Economics several people asked me “What does this Economics in Healthcare mean?” Health economics or Economics of Healthcare is a discipline of economics which is concerned with the association between health status and the related resources assessing the value, behavior, efficiency and effectiveness of various stakeholders in the production and consumption of healthcare. Health Economics has not been studied well in India or in many other developing countries, unlike the developed economies.

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### Course Plan:

**Week 01:** Introduction, Consumer Behaviour, Demand and Supply.

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