

## Chapter - 2

## **Components of Food**

## **NOTES**:

- 1. The major nutrients in our food are carbohydrates, proteins, fats, vitamins and minerals. In addition, food also contains dietary fibers and water.
- 2. Carbohydrates and fats mainly provide energy to our body.
- 3. Proteins and minerals are needed for the growth and the maintenance of our body.
- 4. Vitamins help in protecting our body against diseases.
- 5. Proteins are often called body building foods.
- 6. Deficiency of one or more nutrients in our food for a long time may cause certain diseases or disorders.

