

**EPS-11**

**BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAMME  
(BDP)**

**POLITICAL IDEAS AND IDEOLOGIES  
(EPS-11)**

**ASSIGNMENT 2024**



**SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES  
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## ASSIGNMENT

Dear Student,

You will have to complete one assignment for an eight-credit elective course in the Discipline of Political Science. This is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA).

**It is important that you write answer to all TMA questions in your own words.** Your answer should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, the constant practice while writing answers to assignment questions help you to write better answers to questions in term-end examination.

The TMA is designed to enable you to write answers to different categories of questions. The Assignment is divided into three sections. Section 1 comprises 2 descriptive questions of 20 marks each. Descriptive Category Questions are meant for writing essay type answers, with an introduction and a conclusion. Here, the evaluators have been asked to judge your ability to describe that you know about the topic in a systematic, to-the-point and coherent manner.

Section II comprises 4 questions that of 12 marks each. Here, you are requested to first analyse the topic in terms of arguments and explanations and then write the answers in a concise as well as precise manner. The evaluator shall assess your ability to distinguish, compare and contrast, or, present clear understanding of concepts and processes.

Section III comprises 2 questions of 6 marks each. These are meant to enhance your skill of recall in brief the relevant/precise information about persons, writings, events, exact definition to terms, or clear understanding of concepts and processes.

**Submission:** This assignment should be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre two months prior to the Term End Examination. Therefore, the last date for submission of assignment is as follows:

**31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 for the students appearing in the June 2024 Term End Examination**

**30<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 for the students appearing in December 2024 Term End Examination**

If you have already submitted assignment for this course and the same has been evaluated and sent to the Student Evaluation Division (SED), you need not attempt this assignment.

Please **obtain receipt from the Study Centre for the submitted assignment and retain it.** If possible, keep a xerox copy of this assignment with you. The Study Centre will have to return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre has to send the marks to the SED Division at IGNOU, New Delhi.

**COURSE: POLITICAL IDEAS AND IDEOLOGIES (EPS-11)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: EPS –11  
Assignment Code: Asst /TMA /2024  
Total Marks: 100  
Weightage: 30%**

**Answer all questions. Try to answer in your own words.**

**A) DCQ: Answer the following in about 500 words each. 2x20**

1. Discuss Politics as a practical activity.
2. Enumerate and describe the sources of early Indian political thought.

**B) MCQ: Answer the following in about 250 words each. 4x12**

3. Discuss the Marxist theory of the state.
4. Distinguish between power and related themes.
5. Examine the dividing line in contemporary citizenship theory.
6. Elaborate upon the principles and merits of Direct Democracy.

**C) SCQ: Write a note on the following in about 100 words each. 2x6**

7. Political Globalisation
8. Western context of secularism