

**DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC COURSE
for
BACHELOR OF ART (General)
and
BACHELOR OF ART (Honours) PROGRAMMES**

ASSIGNMENT 2021-2022

BPSE-144: INTRODUCTION TO SOUTH ASIA



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Dear Student,

This Assignment booklet has TMAs for the discipline specific elective course **BPSE-144 Introduction to South Asia**, which is a six credit course. You will have to do all three Tutor Marked Assignments (TMAs) whose total marks add up to 100 and carry a weightage of 30 percent.

Assignment One has Descriptive Category Questions (DCQs). These are meant for writing essay type answers, with an introduction and a conclusion. These are intended to test your ability to describe understanding/knowledge about the topic in a systematic, to-the-point, and coherent manner.

Assignment Two has Middle Category Questions (MCQs). These questions require you to first analyse the topic in terms of arguments and explanations and then write the answers in a concise manner. They are meant to test your ability to clearly understand concepts and processes.

Assignment Three has Short Category Questions (SCQs). These questions are meant to improve your skill of recall the relevant/precise information about persons, writing, events, and/or clear understanding of concepts and processes.

Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide. It is important that you write the answers to all the TMA questions in your own words. Your answers should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

You need to submit all the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule:

Session	Last Date of Submission	Whom to submit
July, 2021 Session	April 30, 2022	The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you
January, 2022 Session	October 31, 2022	

You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it. Keep a photocopy of the assignments with you.

The Study Centre will return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre has to send the marks to the Student Evaluation Division at IGNOU, New Delhi.

Wishing you all the best!

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(TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT)**

Course code: BPSE-144

Assignment Code: BPSE 144/ASST/TMA/2021-22

Marks: 100

Answer all questions in each Section

Assignment - I

Answer the following in about 500 words each. Each question carries 20 marks.

1. Explain the Geo-Political importance of South Asia in current World Order.
2. Explain the role of external powers in South Asia

Assignment - II

Answer the following questions in about 250 words each. Each question carries 10 marks.

1. What are the major challenges before SAARC? Elucidate.
2. What are main linguistic divisions in South Asia? Explain.
3. Highlight the role of Media in South Asia

Assignment - III

Write a short note on the following in about 100 words each. Each short note carries 6 marks.

1. Civil Society in South Asia
2. Refugee issues in South Asia
3. River Disputes in South Asia
4. Supreme Court of India
5. LTTE in Sri Lanka