

**Master of Arts in Sustainability Science  
(MASS)**

**Assignments (ASSIGNMENT NO.: MASS-2/2023)**



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Dear Learner,

You will have to do one assignment for each course. Each assignment carries 100 marks. **Irrespective of the year of registration you need to submit the latest assignments uploaded on the website.**

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read the detailed instructions about assignments given in the Programme Guide.
2. The first page of your response sheet should look like this:

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3. **Second page should be photocopy of your IGNOU I-Card**
4. **Third Page should be the Assignment Questions.**
5. Use A-4 size papers for responses, write on both sides with margin, and secure all the pages carefully.
6. Write the question with each answer. **Each question to be answered in around 500 words in your own handwriting.**
7. **Last date for submitting the assignments for June Term End Examination is 30<sup>th</sup> March and for December Term End Examination is 30<sup>th</sup> September.** (check [www.ignou.ac.in](http://www.ignou.ac.in) for latest announcement)
8. Submit the assignment responses to the Coordinator,

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### GUIDELINES

1. **Planning:** Read the assignments carefully. Go through the self learning material on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange them in a logical order.
2. **Organization:** Give attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must offer your brief interpretation of the question and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your response to the question. Make sure that your answer is: logical and coherent; has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs, and ; is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation.
3. **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission. Write each answer neatly and underline the points you wish to emphasize.

**Please contact the Programme coordinator for any academic help / clarification**  
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**MEV 025: Climate Change and Society**

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**Course Code: MEV 025****Maximum Marks: 100**

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**Note: This assignment is based on the entire course. Please answer in your own words; do not copy from the course material.**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 25 marks each.**

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1. Define Climate refugees. Identify the major factors causing climate change induced migration with suitable examples.
  2. Explain the impacts of Climate change on critical infrastructure and on population security.
  3. Define Climate justice. Highlight the role of social movements in understanding the complexities around climate change.
  4. Discuss the role and strategies of Global South against climate change.
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**MSD-021: Mountain and Hill Ecosystem**

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**Course Code: MSD-021****Maximum Marks: 100**

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**Note: This assignment is based on the entire course. Please answer in your own words; do not copy from the course material.**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 25 marks each.**

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1. Explain the characteristics features of mountains and its significance to human Society.
  2. Discuss any two key policy initiatives on Agroforestry in India.
  3. What are the major impacts of Climate Change on Mountain Ecosystem in India?
  4. What is Multilateral Environmental Agreement? Lists its key features.
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**MSD-022: Aquatic Ecosystem**

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**Course Code: MSD-022****Maximum Marks: 100**

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**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 25 marks each.**

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1. Elucidate River as life support system.
2. Define wetlands. Explain the different types of wetlands in India.
3. Discuss the social and ecological values of rivers.
4. What are the major threats to wetlands in India? Explain.

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**MEDS 051: Fundamentals of CSR**

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**Course Code: MEDS 051**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Note: This assignment is based on the entire course. Please answer in your own words; do not copy from the course material.**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 25 marks each.**

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1. Write an essay on historical perspectives of CSR.
  2. Discuss any five CSR related sections of Companies Act.
  3. Explain the meaning and concept of quality of life. Discuss the role of CSR in enhancing the quality of life.
  4. What are the major factors contributing to effective community ownership and engagement?
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**MSD-023: Social Ecology, Globalisation and Sustainability**

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**Course Code: MSD-023**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Note: This assignment is based on the entire course. Please answer in your own words; do not copy from the course material.**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 25 marks each.**

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1. Write an essay on social changes due to global conventions.
  2. Discuss any two environmental issues due to colonisation.
  3. What are the major significances of second wave of globalisation?
  4. Define Globalisation indicators. What are its limitations?
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**MEDS 044: Monitoring and Evaluation of Projects and Programmes**

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**Course Code: MEDS 044**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Note: This assignment is based on the entire course. Please answer in your own words; do not copy from the course material.**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 25 marks each.**

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1. What is Project Proposal? Explain the various steps in project proposal formulation.
2. Discuss the various aspects of Evaluation.
3. Explain the various types of sampling.
4. Briefly explain the major components of research report.