

**Master of Arts (Anthropology)  
Second Year Courses  
Assignments  
July 2023 and January 2024 Sessions**

**MANI003:Practicing Anthropology (Compulsory)**

**Optionals**

<b>MANE001:</b>	<b>Human Genetics</b>
<b>MANE002:</b>	<b>Human Growth and Development</b>
<b>MANE003:</b>	<b>Comparative Ethnography</b>
<b>MANE004:</b>	<b>Gender and Society</b>
<b>MANE005:</b>	<b>Environment Anthropology</b>
<b>MANE 006:</b>	<b>Social Stratification</b>
<b>MANE 007:</b>	<b>Tribes in India</b>

# **Programme Code: MAAN**

## **Assignment-July 2023 and January 2024 sessions**

Dear Student

You must have gone through the Programme Guide for the Master's in Anthropology (MAAN) and noted that assignment for each course is compulsory. Each assignment has been prepared covering the entire course.

It will benefit you to write the answers in your own words as it gives more clarity. Another point which you should remember while answering is the word limit, it should be maintained. There are different types of questions in the assignment, long answers (20 marks) and short answers (10 marks). The questions have been designed so that you are able to answer methodically and comprehensibly. It is advisable to consult your Academic Counselors in the Study Centres before starting these assignments to clear any doubt or even if you wish to discuss your answers.

The Assignments are required to be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. Always keep the photocopy of the assignment submitted. Take an acknowledgement receipt for the assignment submitted and retain it.

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The assignments would be returned back to you after evaluation. The Study Centre sends the marks to Students Evaluation Division at IGNOU and these marks would be entered to your grade card.

## **Guidelines for doing Assignments**

It is worth keeping in mind the following points while attempting the Assignments:

**Planning:** Go through the assignments very carefully. Read the units on which they are based. Note important points regarding each question and then re arrange it in a logical order.

**Organization:** Be cautious, selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. In long answers, give adequate consideration to the introduction and conclusion. Introduction should have a brief understanding of the question and then how you intend to develop it. The conclusion should summarize the answer to your question. The answers should be sound, clear, within word limit and expresses your understanding of the subject.

**Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission; write each answer clearly and high light/underline the points you wish to emphasize.

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## **Submission of Assignment**

Before you take your Term End Examinations, it is compulsory to submit the assignment on the schedule mentioned. It is therefore advisable to follow the rules. A total of four assignments are required to be submitted in the first year. Attempt one assignment at a time. Plan in such a way that you complete the assignment of the course you have read. Submit the assignment at your study centre and get back the assignment with marks and comments of the Counselor, it will give idea of the preparation of that particular course. There is enough time, just plan to complete all the assignment on time. Proper planning and judicious execution is required to complete the work before last date.

## **Last Date of Submission of Assignment**

**July 2023 Batch**

**March31, 2024**

**January 2024 Batch**

**September 30, 2024**

**The Assignment should be submitted to**

**The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you**

**MANI-003: PRACTICING ANTHROPOLOGY**  
**Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)**

**Course Code: MANI-003**  
**Assignment Code: MANI-003/ASST/TMA/2023-2024**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.**

**SECTION A**

1. Trace the history and growth of applied anthropology since 1945 to its present times. 20
2. Discuss the role played by anthropologists in the management of disasters. 20
3. Discuss the methods used in applied research? 20
4. Discuss the role of anthropologist in forensic studies. 20
5. **Attempt any two of the following: 10X2= 20**
  - a. History of applied anthropology in the Great Britain
  - b. Genetic counseling
  - c. Dispute of consent

**SECTION B**

6. Discuss the use of biometrics in forensic anthropology. 20
7. Discuss the paradigm of participation of anthropologists in bringing about change in society. 20
8. Discuss the PRA and RRA in action research. 20
9. Discuss clinical genetic traits. 20
10. **Attempt any two of the following: 10X 2=20**
  - a. Cultural anthropology and Tourism studies
  - b. Multimedia in practicing anthropology
  - c. Health and culture

**Human Genetics (MANE 001)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**  
**(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 001**  
**Assignment Code: MANE 001/AST/TMA/2023-24**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt any five questions in total and at least two questions, from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.**

**SECTION - A**

1. What is Human Genetics? Discuss the importance of human genetics in physical anthropology. 20
2. Define Hardy-Wienberg law. Discuss its importance in human population genetics. 20
3. Briefly examine the Inborn Errors of metabolism in man with suitable examples. 20
4. Describe the structure of DNA and briefly comment on its salient features. 20
5. Write short notes any two of the following: 2x10=20
  - (a) Down syndrome
  - (b) Meiotic cell division
  - (c) Inbreeding
  - (d) Cytogenetics

**SECTION- B**

6. Define DNA polymorphism. Briefly discuss various forms of DNA polymorphism. 20
7. What is Genetic Counselling? Briefly describe the procedure involved in carrying out genetic counselling. 20
8. What is Bioinformatics? Briefly discuss any three tools of Bioinformatics. 20
9. Define Genetic epidemiology. Discuss the scope of genetic epidemiology in human genetic research. 20

10. Write short notes on any two of the following:

2x10=20

- (a) Ethical, Legal and Social Issues (ELSI) in human genetics research
- (b) G6PD deficiency
- (c) Human Genome project
- (d) Prenatal diagnosis

**Human Growth and Development (MANE 002)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**  
**(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 002**  
**Assignment Code: MANE 002/AST/TMA/2023-24**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt any five questions in total and at least two questions, from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.**

**SECTION A**

1. Discuss in brief approach to human growth and development. 20
2. Discuss in brief nutritional epidemiology. 20
3. Briefly discuss the contribution by Heath and Carter. 20
4. Describe the lifestyle factors affecting growth. 20
5. Define and differentiate between any two of the following: 10+10
  - a) Centile and SD Growth
  - b) Negative secular trend and Absence secular trend
  - c) Distance curve and velocity

**SECTION II**

6. Describe the methods of studying growth. 20
7. Briefly explain body composition in context of age and different racial groups. 20
8. Describe in brief postnatal growth. 20
9. Discuss the limitations and new approaches in somatotyping. 20
10. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
  - a) Importance of assessing nutritional status
  - b) Dietary history
  - c) Theories of Ageing



**Comparative Ethnography (MANE-003)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**  
**(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 003**

**Assignment Code: MANE 003/AST/TMA/2023-24**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt five questions and at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words.**

**SECTION- A**

1. Define ethnography? Discuss post-modern ethnography. 20
2. Critically examine Karin Kapadia's *Siva and her sisters: Gender, Caste and Class in Rural South India*. 20
3. Discuss any one of the ethnography from your course that reflects on the feminist influences in writing ethnography. 20
4. With reference to the ethnography *Notes on love in a Tamil Family* examine the field work concerns and the intellectual background of the work. 20
5. **Write short notes:** 10+10
  - a. Meyer Fortes
  - b. Ethics in social science research

**SECTION-B**

6. Outline the features of culturalists perspective in anthropology. 20
7. Discuss symbolism in religious functions through Geertz work. 20
8. Examine how Evans-Pritchard's *The Nuer* provides an insight into their life ways in the political domain. 20
9. Why is re-study in ethnography important? Evaluate with the help of examples. 20
10. Write short notes referring to the ethnographies discussed in the course: 10+10
  - a. Traditional Remedies
  - b. Victor Turners work

**MANE-004: GENDER AND SOCIETY**  
**Tutor Marked Assignment**  
**(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE-004**  
**Assignment Code: MANE-004/ASST/TMA/2023-2024**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.**

**SECTION A**

1. Provide a discussion on the concept of gender and differences between gender and sex. 20
2. Discuss the status of women in tribal societies. 20
3. Discuss feminist psychoanalytical theories of gender. 20
4. Examine gender in anthropological studies. 20
5. **Attempt any two of the following:** 10X2= 20
  - a. Patriarchy in kinship
  - b. Gender stereotype
  - c. Social construction feminism

**SECTION B**

6. Discuss two agents of socialisation. 20
7. Examine different life course events and their implications on women. 20
8. Assess sexuality and hetero-normativity in the context of family. 20
9. Discuss critically unwaged domestic labour. 20
10. **Attempt any two of the following:** 10X 2=20
  - a. Disabled bodies
  - b. Nayar women
  - c. Gender inclusive globalisation

**Environmental Anthropology (MANE 005)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**  
**(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 005**  
**Assignment Code: MANE 005/AST/TMA/2023-24**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: There are two sections ‘A’ and ‘B’. Attempt any five questions in total and at least two questions, from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.**

**SECTION A**

1. Discuss in brief basic concepts of ecology. 20
2. Discuss the domains of applications in environmental anthropology. 20
3. Briefly discuss development of arid and semiarid areas: Social perspective 20
4. Settlement and subsistence. Discuss. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
  - d) Ecological succession
  - e) Ecology of global consumer culture
  - f) Environmental legislation

**SECTION II**

6. Briefly discuss the notable contributions on application of concept of ecosystem in anthropology. 20
7. What is environmental justice? Discuss its principles in brief. 20
8. Describe cultural ecology and natural resource management. 20
9. Discuss colonial and post colonial forest policies in India. 20
10. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
  - a) Limitation of the Ecosystem concept
  - b) Conservation as social and political process
  - c) Ecofeminism and Environment.

**MANE-006: SOCIAL STRATIFICATION**  
**Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE-006**  
**Assignment Code: MANE-006/ASST/TMA/2023-2024**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.**

**SECTION A**

1. Identify and discuss the various forms of inequality commonly known in human societies. 20
2. Discuss ethnicity from the context of social stratification. 20
3. Assess types of power and authority. 20
4. Examine Durkheim's postulation on division of labour. 20
5. **Attempt any two of the following:** **10X2= 20**
  - a. Band societies
  - b. Network structures
  - c. Hegel's dialectical philosophy

**SECTION B**

6. Provide a critical discussion on caste and occupation. 20
7. Describe the historical developments of race as a concept. 20
8. Assess the role of media in the construction of gender. 20
9. Discuss the concept and principle of distributive justice. 20
10. **Attempt any two of the following:** **10X 2=20**
  - a. The elite class
  - b. Education and social mobility
  - c. Empowerment through ICT

**Tribes in India (MANE-007)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**  
**(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 007**  
**Assignment Code: MANE 007/AST/TMA/July 2023- January 2024**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt five questions at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words.**

**SECTION- A**

1. Discuss the anthropological definitions of Tribes. Critically examine the debate on Tribe-Caste continuum. 20
2. Deliberate on the concept of Indigenous populations. Discuss the same in the context of identity in India 20
3. Write a note on customary laws and its relevance in the present era with suitable examples. 20
4. Examine the traditions of shifting and terrace cultivations with suitable examples. 20
5. Write short notes: 10+10
  - a. Socialisation and Childhood
  - b. Social differentiation and stratification

**SECTION-B**

6. Reflect on the land alienation and debt-bondage among the Tribes of India with suitable examples. 20
7. Examine the forest policies and the emergence of Forest Rights Act 2006 20
8. Critically examine various Tribal commissions and their recommendations. 20
9. Discuss the contributions of anthropologists in the study of Tribes. 20
10. Write short notes 10+10
  - a. Tribes and education
  - b. PESA