

ESO-11

**Bachelor Degree Programme
(BDP)**

**Assignment for students admitted in July 2021 and
January 2022 Sessions**

**Elective Course in Sociology-11
(The Study of Society)**



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ASSIGNMENT

Dear Student,

You will have to complete one assignment for an eight-credit elective course in Sociology. 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 2 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 3 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.

The completed assignment should be sent to the Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you as per the schedule given below:

No. of Assignment	Date of Submission	To be sent
July 2021 Session	31st March, 2022	To The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you
January 2022 Session	30th September, 2022	

You must **obtain receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it**. If possible, keep a xerox copy of the assignments 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.

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ESO-11: The Study of Society
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Programme Code: BDP

Course Code: ESO-11

Assignment Code: ESO-11/AST/TMA/2021-22

Maximum Marks: 100

Weightage: 30%

Answer all the questions.

Section-1

Answer the following in about 500 words each.

1. Discuss the nature and scope of sociology with special reference to India. 20
2. What is social change? Discuss the theory of social change as propounded by the classical social thinkers like Marx, Weber and Durkherin. 20

Section-II

Answer the following in about 250 words each.

3. Define the concept of social group and discuss its types. 12
4. Discuss the concept of family as a social institution. 12
5. What is socialisation? Discuss the agents of socialisation and their role in society 12
6. What is social structure? How is it different from social organisation? Discuss. 12

Section-III

Answer the following in about 100 words each.

7. Discuss the concept of social inequality found in society with examples. 6
8. Write short notes on **any two** of the following: 6
 - (a) Acephalous Societies
 - (b) Elite
 - (c) Production, distribution and consumption
 - (d) Culture