

**BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME  
(BDP)**

**ASSIGNMENT 2024-25**

For July 2024 and January 2025 Admission cycle

**COURSE CODE: BECE-016**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS AND  
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES**



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**Assignment (TMA)**

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Dear Student,

As explained in the Programme Guide for BDP, you will have to do one assignment for this Elective course in Economics (BECE-016). This is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks.

It is important that you write answers to all the questions in your own words. The TMA is designed to enable you to answer different categories of questions. Here evaluation is made keeping in view your ability to present your answer in a systematic, precise and coherent manner. The assignment is divided into three Sections. All questions are compulsory. Section A comprises two long answer questions of 20 marks each. Section B comprises four questions of 12 marks each while in Section C you have to answer two questions of 6 marks each.

Submission: The completed assignments should be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre.

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- 1. By 31st March 2025, for the students willing to appear in June 2025 term-end examination.**
- 2. By 30th September 2025, for the students willing to appear in December 2025 term end examination.**

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## **Tutor Marked Assignments**

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**Total Marks: 100**

**Note: Answer all the questions**

### **Section A**

Long Answer Questions (word limit-500 words)

2x20=40 marks

1. Elucidate the environmental issues and concerns of economic development. Discuss the concept of sustainable development in this regard.
2. What are the problems of the present International Monetary System? Discuss reasons for the breakdown of the Bretton Woods System.

### **Section B**

Medium Answer Questions (word limit-250 words)

4x12=48 marks

3. What do you understand by socialism? Explain its evolution.
4. Discuss salient features of mixed economy. What are its merits and limitations?
5. What is Special Drawing rights (SDR)? Discuss its main features.
6. What do you mean by dualism? Discuss the types of dualism. How do they reinforce each other?

### **Section C**

Short Answer Questions (word limit-100 words)

2x6=12 marks

7. Explain the concept of expected urban rural wage differential.
8. Explain the capability approach to development.