

**BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME**

**(B.D.P)**

**EPS-15: SOUTH ASIA: ECONOMY, SOCIETY AND POLITICS**

**ASSIGNMENT  
(2025)**



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Dear Student,

As mentioned in the Handbook, you will have to do one Tutor Marked assignment for each of the elective courses in Political Science. Each assignment has three sections and carry 100 marks. This booklet has the assignment for the BDP elective course **EPS-15**.

Before attempting the assignment, please read the instructions provided in the Programme Guide sent to you separately and as given below.

**Submission:** This assignment should be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre two months prior to the Term End Examination (TEE). Therefore, the last date for submission of assignment is as follows:

**31st March, 2025 for the students appearing in the June 2025 TEE**

**30th September, 2025 for the students appearing in December 2025 TEE**

Avoid the last minute rush and try to submit the assignment well within the deadline period.

If you have already submitted assignment for this course and the same has been evaluated and sent to the Student Evaluation Division (SED), you need not attempt this assignment.

Please obtain receipt from the Study Centre for the submitted assignment and retain it. If possible, keep a xerox copy of this assignment 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.

Best Wishes  
**Faculty of Political Science**  
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Course Code: EPS-15  
Assignment Code: EPS-15/Asst/TMA/2025  
Total Marks: 100

**Answer questions in each category. Answer in your own words.**

- A) DCQ: Answer the following in about 500 words each. 20x2**
- 1) What are the challenges facing states in South Asia in the context of globalization?
  - 2) What are the challenges to pluralism in South Asia? How are the countries in the region managing them?
- B) MCQ: Answer the following in about 250 words each. 12x2**
- 3) Examine the role of political parties in the political system of Pakistan.
  - 4) Explain the factors and developments that have contributed to the rise of Bengali nationalism in West Pakistan.
  - 5) Describe the nature of Bhutanese economy and examine the role of India in its economic development.
  - 6) How is environmental degradation a non-traditional and human security threat?
- C) SCQ: Write a short note on the following in about 100 words each. 6x2**
- 7) Features of the Maldivian economy
  - 8) Middle powers in the international system

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