

CIHL

**CERTIFICATE
IN
INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW**

**Tutor Marked Assignments
(January 2016 and July 2016 Sessions)**



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Dear Student.

As per laid down guidelines of the University, you have to complete one assignment for each course opted by you.

You will find that the questions in the assignments are analytical and descriptive so that you can better understand and comprehend the concepts.

It is important that you write the answers to all the questions in your own words. Your answers should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for each question. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

Submission

You have to submit the assignments to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it with you. It is desirable to keep with you a photocopy of the assignments submitted by you.

Once evaluated, the Study Centre will return the assignments to you. Please insist on this. The Study Centre will send the marks to the SED at IGNOU, New Delhi.

You need to submit the assignments at your study centers as under:

For January Session- By 31st March, 2016

For July Session- By 30th September, 2016

Guidelines for Doing Assignments

We expect you to answer each question as per instructions in the assignment. You will find it useful to keep the following points in mind:

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignment carefully, go through the Units on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange them in a logical order.
- 2) **Organisation:** Be a little selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. Give adequate attention to question's introduction and conclusion.

Make sure that:

- a) The answer is logical and coherent.
 - b) It has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs.
 - c) The presentation is correct in your own expression and style.
- 3) **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission. **It is mandatory to write all assignments neatly in your own handwriting.** If you so desire, you may underline the points you wish to emphasize. Make sure that the answer is within the stipulated word limit.

Wishing you all the best.

Programme Coordinator (CIHL)

BLE-035: UNDERSTANDING IHL

Course Code: BLE-035
Assignment Code: BLE-035/ TMA/ 2016
Total Marks: 100

Part-A

Attempt any Two of the following questions in about 600 words, each question carries 20 marks.

1. What is law? Discuss its role in the society.
2. What is the right of individual or collective self defence? Discuss the conditions under which this right is available in International Law.
3. What is international armed conflict? How it is different from non-international armed conflict.
4. Discuss the Rules of Protection of Prisoners of war under IHL.

Part-B

Attempt any four of the following questions in about 300 words. Each question carries 10 marks

5. What are the Rules of Protection of Civilians under IHL?
6. Evaluate the relationship between International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law. What are the situations in which they are applicable?
7. Discuss the law relating to the protection of sick wounded and shipwrecked in war.
8. What do you understand by Occupation? Discuss the status of people deprived of their liberty, during and after occupation.
9. Discuss the relationship of International Humanitarian Law with the Refugee Law.
10. Discuss in brief the current sources of IHL.

Part-C

Write short notes in about 50 words on the followings, each question carries 2 marks.

11. Rule of Distinction.
12. Protected persons under IHL.
13. Principle of Inviolability.
14. IHL and International Criminal Law.
15. Rule of Distinction.
16. Just War.

17. Principle of Prohibition of use of force.

18. Military Necessity.

19. Internally displaced Persons.

20. Mercenaries.

BLE 036 : APPLICATION OF IHL

Course Code: BLE-036

Assignment Code: BLE-036/ TMA/ 2015

Total Marks: 100

Part-A

Attempt any Two of the following questions in about 600 words, each question carries 15 marks.

1. Critically analysed the role played by the United Nations in the application of IHL.
2. Discuss the main features of the Geneva Conventions Act, 1960.
3. What are the Ad hoc Criminal Tribunals. Discuss their contribution in the development of IHL principles.
4. Discuss the Role of ICRC under IHL during armed conflict.

Part-B

Answer *any four* of the following questions in about 300 words. Each question carries 10 marks.

5. Explain the principle of Individual criminal Responsibility.
6. Critically evaluate the role of Security Council in maintaining International peace and Security.
7. Discuss the role of non-governmental organisation (NGOs) in the application of IHL.
8. Discuss the role of mass media in conflict reporting. What are the ethical aspects of media reporting ?
9. . discuss the role of NGO'S in peace making and conflict prevention.
10. Discuss the scope of Article 1 of the Geneva Convention.

Part-C

Write a short note in about 50 words on the followings, each question carries 2 marks.

11. International fact finding commission

12. Role of International community in the application of IHL.
13. Constitution of Indian and IHL.
14. International Criminal Court.
15. The Guardian Angel functions of ICRC.
16. Ad Hoc Tribunals.
17. Military Code of Conduct.
18. Military rules for Prisoners of War.

19. Military Law Advisors.
20. Role of ICRC in providing First Aid and Transporting of Injured of Armed Conflicts.

37: IHL ISSUES OF CONCERN IN SOUTH ASIA

Course Code: BLE-037

Assignment Code: BLE-037/ TMA/ 2015

Total Marks: 100

Part-A

Attempt any Two of the following questions in about 600 words, each question carries 20 marks.

1. Discuss the rules of IHL laid down by the various religious traditions of South Asia. Do you agree with the view that IHL principles are mainly Eurocentric?
2. Discuss the role of various conflicting parties in Afghanistan in the violation of the rule of IHL.
3. Analyse the problem of child soldier in armed conflicts of South Asia. Discuss the Paris commitment and principles in this connection.
4. Discuss the role played by the ICRC in implementing IHL at the national level.

Part-B

Attempt any four of the following questions in about 300 words. Each question carries 10 marks.

5. What is the status of IHL treaties in South Asia? Critically evaluate the reasons put forward by South Asian countries for the non-ratification of optional Protocol II of 1977.
6. Discuss the impact of conflicts in South Asia on refugees.
7. Evaluate the International legal response to the protection of women in armed conflicts of South Asia region.
8. State how Christianity has been successful in shaping humanitarian consideration during warfare.
9. Discuss the challenges faced by ICRC in implementation of IHL Convention in the armed conflicts in Sri Lanka.
10. Discuss the significance of the study of IHL in South Asia.

Part-C

Write short notes in about 50 words on the followings, each question carries 2 marks.

11. IHL and Bangladesh.
12. . Armed conflicts and protection of minorities.
13. Internally displaced persons and IHL.
14. International Criminal Court.
15. Role of students in promoting the principles of IHL.
16. Protection of Emblem
17. IHL and Nepal.
18. War crime.
19. Role of ICRC in Dissemination of IHL to Security Forces
20. IHL Conventions and India.

BELP-038: PROJECT

Write a project in about 2000 words on any one of the following topics.

1. Protection of Civilian Population
2. Issues Relating to the Evolution of Proportionality in Attack
3. Role of UN Security Council in upholding IHL Principles during Non-international Armed Conflicts during last Decade
4. Problem of Child soldiers in South Asia.
5. International Humanitarian Law and the Protection of Cultural Property