

**MGP**

**GANDHI AND PEACE STUDIES**  
(Modular)

**Assignment 2014-2015**

**Master of Arts in Gandhi and Peace Studies (MAGPS)**  
**Post Graduate Diploma in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGDGPS)**  
**Post Graduate Certificate in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGCGPS)**



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Dear Learner,

As we explained in the Programme Guide for Master's Degree in Gandhi and Peace Studies (Modular Programme), you will have to do a Tutor Marked Assignment for each course in the Programme. This booklet contains the assignments of **Master of Arts in Gandhi and Peace Studies (MAGPS)**, **Post Graduate Diploma in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGDGPS)**, **Post Graduate Certificate in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGCGPS)** courses of the modular programme of Gandhi and Peace Studies.

You need to submit all the assignments which form a part of your programme within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination for the programme you are registered. Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide.

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

All assignments have to be **submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre**. Remember to obtain a 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 will note down the marks awarded for each assignment and forward them to the Student Evaluation Division (SED) at IGNOU, New Delhi.

**Submission:**

You need to submit all the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule.

| <b>Session</b>                   | <b>Last Date of Submission</b> | <b>To be Submitted to</b>                                  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| <b>For July, 2014 Session</b>    | <b>31st March, 2015</b>        | <b>The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you</b> |
| <b>For January, 2015 Session</b> | <b>30th September, 2015</b>    |  |

## GUIDELINES FOR DOING ASSIGNMENTS

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

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignments 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 analytic before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. Give adequate attention to your introduction and conclusion.

Make sure that your answer:

- a) is logical and coherent;
  - b) has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs, and
  - c) is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation.
- 3) **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission, writing each answer neatly and underlining the points you wish to emphasize. Make sure that the answer is within the stipulated word limit.

Wishing you all the best!!

**COURSE: GANDHI: THE MAN AND HIS TIMES (MGP-001)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-001**  
**Assignment Code: MGP-001/ASST/TMA/2014-15**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION- I**

1. Explain how Gandhi's views on nationalism and internationalism contributed to the liberation of India?
2. Examine the various experiences of Gandhi as a student of Law in London.
3. Describe the core features and significance of the following:
  - a) Western influences on Gandhi
  - b) Satyagraha
4. Discuss the convergence of two movements under Mahatma Gandhi's leadership during the freedom struggle.
5. Briefly explain the essence of the Communal Award.

**SECTION- II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) The Rowlatt Satyagraha
  - b) Congress and partition
7.
  - a) Kheda Satyagraha (1918)
  - b) Achievements of the Non-Cooperation Movements
8.
  - a) Civil Disobedience movement
  - b) Gandhi-Irwin pact
9.
  - a) Consequences of the Quit India movement
  - b) Gandhi's critique of the revolutionaries
10.
  - a) Round Table Conferences (1930-1932)
  - b) Dr. Ambedkar's Social and Political Ideas

**COURSE: PHILOSOPHY OF GANDHI (MGP-002)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-002  
Assignment Code: MGP-002/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Bring out the influence of Indian religions on Gandhi's concept of Ahimsa.
2. Evaluate the significance of five pillars of Islamic faith.
3. Explain the meaning and significance of truth in Gandhi's life.
4. Discuss the conceptualization of 'Ultimate Reality' in Vedanta.
5. Briefly explain the economic views of John Ruskin (1819-1900).

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Satyagraha and Non-violence
  - b) Bhakti Movement
7.
  - a) Truth and Liberation
  - b) Gandhi's views of Hinduism
8.
  - a) Gandhi's interpretation of the Gita
  - b) Gandhi's views on the Western concepts of nation state and industrialization
9.
  - a) Gandhian idea of Sarvodaya
  - b) Economic bases of Swaraj
10.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of duty
  - b) Gandhi's concept of Swaraj

**COURSE: GANDHI'S SOCIAL THOUGHT (MGP-003)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-003**  
**Assignment Code: MGP-003/ASST/TMA/2014-15**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Outline Gandhi' philosophy and aim of education and examine his efforts towards imparting education.
2. Examine the Gandhian critique of the Indian social order.
3. Critically examine Gandhi's analysis of communal conflicts in British India.
4. Examine Gandhi's views on religious pluralism.
5. Examine the Gandhian critique of Modernity.

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Communalism and rights of minorities.
  - b) Gandhi's opposition to the partition of India.
7.
  - a) Untouchability
  - b) Gandhi's thoughts on reconstruction of Hinduism
8.
  - a) Concept of Truth in Gandhian thought
  - b) Gandhi on Environmentalism
9.
  - a) Gandhi's views on labour in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
  - b) Gandhi's views on depressed classes
10.
  - a) Gandhi's views on child marriage
  - b) Gandhian Brahmacharya / Celibacy

**COURSE: GANDHI'S POLITICAL THOUGHT (MGP-004)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-004**  
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**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Examine the grounds on which Gandhi criticized the West.
2. Explain Gandhi's concept of Gram Swaraj.
3. Discuss the nature of Indian political institutions and practices during British rule.
4. How do you explain Gandhi's assessment of Indian National Congress?
5. Examine Gandhi's views on the importance of Ends and Means.

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Power and Authority
  - b) Concept of liberalism and constitutionalism
7.
  - a) Gandhi's non-violent struggle against colonialism
  - b) Gandhi's views on Fascism
8.
  - a) Meaning of Socialism and Communalism
  - b) Importance of constructive programme
9.
  - a) Gandhi's views on structural violence
  - b) Meaning and Techniques of Satyagraha
10.
  - a) Main elements of Gandhian pacifism
  - b) Gandhi's views on War

**COURSE: INTRODUCTION TO PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION (MGP-005)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-005  
Assignment Code: MGP-005/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Define meaning and types of peace.
2. Critically examine the various coercive methods of conflict resolution.
3. Discuss the characteristics of formal representative democracy.
4. Explain the different ways a society uses to regulate conflict and prevent violence.
5. Define conflict and examine the specific sources of conflict.

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Global sources of contemporary conflicts
  - b) Causes of Social Injustice
7.
  - a) Elaborate Gandhian views on peace education
  - b) Make a critical study of satyagraha as a means of dispute resolution
8.
  - a) Give justification for equality in the midst of inequality
  - b) Instruments of justice in India
9.
  - a) Liberal and Marxist views on equality and inequality
  - b) Western and Eastern perspectives of conflicts and their resolution
10.
  - a) Coercive methods of conflict resolution
  - b) Concept and meaning of alternative dispute resolution

**COURSE: GANDHI'S ECONOMIC THOUGHT (MGPE-006)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-006**  
**Assignment Code: MGPE-006/ASST/TMA/2014-15**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Briefly examine main features of classical economics.
2. Describe the impact of colonialism in the context of poverty.
3. Examine major points of criticism that Gandhi raises against Modern Economics.
4. Discuss relevance of J K Mehta's philosophical economic approach.
5. Examine Gandhi's concept of Swadeshi and its relevance in the contemporary and globalised world.

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Gandhian concept of self-reliance and self-sufficiency
  - b) Gandhian concept of swadeshi in the present world
7.
  - a) Gandhi's theory of Trusteeship
  - b) Doctrine of the limitations of wants as propounded by Gandhi
8.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of machine
  - b) Gandhi's concept of village development
9.
  - a) E.F. Schumacher (1911-1977)
  - b) Sriman Narayan (1912-1973)
10.
  - a) Gandhian Idea of Development
  - b) Agrarian economy of India

**COURSE: NON-VIOLENT MOVEMENTS AFTER GANDHI (MGPE-007)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-007**  
**Assignment Code: MGPE-007/ASST/TMA/2014-15**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the achievements and shortfalls of social resolution in India.
2. Examine the Bhoodan movement as propounded by Acharya Vinoba Bhave.
3. Critically examine the ecological issues that are affecting mankind today.
4. Discuss the major concerns of liquor policy and public health related issues in India.
5. Explain the main features of Total Revolution.

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Globalisation and farmer's movement
  - b) Chipko movement
7.
  - a) Women and Civil Rights movement
  - b) Civil Rights movement in United States of America
8.
  - a) Narmada Bachao Andolan
  - b) Silent Valley Movement
9.
  - a) Types of Non-violent movements
  - b) Eco Feminist movements
10.
  - a) Non-violent solidarity movement in Poland
  - b) Anti-apartheid movement in South Africa

**COURSE: GANDHIAN APPROACH TO PEACE AND CONFLICT  
RESOLUTION (MGPE-008)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-008  
Assignment Code: MGPE-008/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION- I**

1. Explain the concept of peace and conflict transformation in ensuring peace.
2. Analyse the different solutions put forward by Gandhi to deal with intolerance.
3. Write a short note on the following in your own words:
  - a) Gandhian vision of community peace.
  - b) Understanding tolerance and harmony.
4. Briefly examine Gandhi's scheme of world federation and peace among nations.
5. Critically examine the concept of mediation and its utility in conflict resolution.

**SECTION- II**

Write short notes on each part of the question in about 250 words.

6.
  - a) Gandhi's vision of community peace
  - b) Explain the role of SEWA and its notable features
7.
  - a) Fasting for conflict resolution
  - b) Gandhi's views on industrial conflicts
8.
  - a) Bring out the relevance of dialogue and negotiation in the contemporary world
  - b) Explain the features and facets of reconciliation
9.
  - a) Importance of dialogue and negotiation in conflict resolution
  - b) The idea of Shanti Sena
10.
  - a) North-East India and efforts towards peace
  - b) Nation-building in Tibet, Myanmar and Bhutan

**COURSE: GANDHI IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY (MGPE-009)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-009**  
**Assignment Code: MGPE-009/ASST/TMA/2014-15**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Explain the concept and meaning of globalization and its ill-effects.
2. Explain the concept and meaning of pluralist state.
3. What does Mahatma Gandhi prescribe for creating and maintaining order in the world?
4. Briefly explain the Gandhian vision of Science and Technology
5. Explain the sustainable conception on environment

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Practices and problems of democracy
  - b) Secularism in India
7.
  - a) Social Inclusion
  - b) Empowering Women
8.
  - a) Religion and Politics
  - b) India and its cultural diversity
9.
  - a) Debate on the advanced capitalist state
  - b) State sovereignty and global order
10.
  - a) Gandhi on Human Rights
  - b) Gandhian model of village development

**COURSE: CONFLICT MANAGEMENT, TRANSFORMATION AND  
PEACE BUILDING (MGPE-010)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-010  
Assignment Code: MGPE-010/ASST/TMA/204-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Peace building is a long term effort that requires diligent designing and painstaking execution from different perspectives. Elucidate.
2. Examine the role of the United Nations in strengthening conflict ridden societies.
3. Explain the following in about 250 words:
  - a) Challenges of conflict assessment
  - b) Sources of conflict
4. Explain the main causes of terrorism in Punjab.
5. Discuss the non-violent approach to conflict transformation.

**SECTION-II**

Answer each part of the question about 250 words.

6.
  - a) Notion of structural violence as laid out by Galtung
  - b) Gandhi's idea of Swaraj
7.
  - a) Gene Sharp's approach to strategic non-violence conflict transformation
  - b) India's role in reconstruction of Afghanistan
8.
  - a) Gandhi's criticism of modern civilization
  - b) Gandhi's educational experiment in South Africa
9.
  - a) Describe the Satyagraha campaign led by Gandhi in South Africa
  - b) Non-western approach to conflict transformation
10.
  - a) Briefly explain post-conflict reconstruction and rehabilitation
  - b) Explain the factors responsible for the continuing conflict in Afghanistan

**COURSE: HUMAN SECURITY (MGPE-011)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-011  
Assignment Code: MGPE-011/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the concept of Human Security and its dimensions as suggested in the Human Development Report 1994.
2. Explain the state of Human Security in India.
3. Explain the following in your own words:
  - a) Post-conflict Peace Building
  - b) Gandhian vision of human security
4. Write an essay on Human Security and Human Rights.
5. Critically examine state violence in South Asia.

**SECTION-II**

6. Critically comment on the linkage between Development and Global warming.
7. Briefly explain the significance of environmental concerns for India.
8. Write a short note on the following in about 250 words each:
  - a) Problems of unorganized labour in the country
  - b) Empowerment of child labour in India
9. Describe the practices of Gandhian Thought for International Cooperation.
10. Distinguish between traditional security and human security.

**COURSE: WOMEN AND PEACE (MGPE-012)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-012  
Assignment Code: MGPE-012/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Critically examine the main causes of violence against women.
2. Explain Schumpeter's theory of development.
3. Explain the following in your own words:
  - a) Regional differences in women demographic indicators in India
  - b) Role of Women in peace building
4. Discuss the problem of honor killings with suitable examples.
5. Critically examine the role of women as peace makers with suitable examples.

**SECTION-II**

Write a short note on the following in about 250 words.

6.
  - a) Communalism and gender relations in India
  - b) Relevance of Gandhi's ideas for preventing violence against women
7. Critically examine the Marxian theory of development
8. Briefly explain the salient features of crusade against female infanticide

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each:

9.
  - a) Critically analyse the contribution of women in the field of environment
  - b) Examine the role of the United Nations in promoting participation of women in conflict resolution
10. Briefly explain various initiatives taken by India to promote peace.

**COURSE: CIVIL SOCIETY, POLITICAL REGIMES AND CONFLICT (MGPE-013)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-013**

**Assignment Code: MGPE-013/ASST/TMA/2014-15**

**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Explain the classical notion of Civil Society and what lead to its breakdown.
2. Critically examine the changing relations among the market, state and civil society.
3. Critically analyse the anti-globalisation movement.
4. Examine the early and recent non-violent protest movements.
5. Explain Gandhi's view on individual initiative and autonomy.

**SECTION-II**

Answer each part of the question about 250 words.

6.
  - a) Swaraj as self-reliance and self-government.
  - b) Relationship between state and civil society.
7. Discuss the role of NGOs in mobilizing voluntary action.
8.
  - a) Evolution and Developments of Human Rights.
  - b) Grameen Banks efforts towards eradication of poverty and hunger
9. Describe the approaches to the Study of Panchayat Raj Institutions.
10. Gandhi's views on capacity building and women empowerment.

**COURSE: GANDHI: ECOLOGY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (MGPE-014)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-014  
Assignment Code: MGPE-014/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Explain the concept of development and its critique from diverse perspectives.
2. Critically examine the Gandhian approach to development
3. Examine ancient India's traditions on environment and conservation
4. Examine community life in Gandhi's Ashrams in South Africa and India
5. Explain the basic principles of Human Ecology

**SECTION-II**

Write short notes on the following in about 250 words each.

6.
  - a) Gandhi's thoughts on environment and conservation
  - b) Gandhi's concept of Ideal Village
7.
  - a) Gandhi's views on community living
  - b) Equality and Trusteeship
8.
  - a) Environmental education in India
  - b) Gandhi's views on Gramswaraj
9.
  - a) Small and simple is beautiful
  - b) Ralegon Siddhi and Human Development
10.
  - a) Gandhi and Human Ecology
  - b) Water harvesting in Arid Land Rajasthan

**COURSE: INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS (MGPE-015)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-015  
Assignment Code: MGPE-015/ASST/TMA/2014-15  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Critically examine the nature of social science research.
2. Examine the difference between normative and empirical paradigms.
3. Explain the following in your own words:
  - a) Methods of data collection
  - b) Characteristics of Ethnography
4. Discuss the basic elements of conflict mapping.
5. Examine the main features of Literature Review and explain how it helps in defining research problems.

**SECTION-II**

6. Explain the meaning and types of documentary data.
7. Define coding and methods of narrative analysis.
8. Answer each part of the question about 250 words.
  - a) The basic elements of conflict mapping.
  - b) Different kinds of violence.
9. Examine the process of analysis and interpreting of research findings.
10. Analyse the principles of table construction in research presentation.

**COURSE: HUMAN RIGHTS: INDIAN PERSPECTIVE (MGPE-016)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-016**  
**Assignment Code: MGPE-016/ASST/TMA/2014-15**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the theoretical and philosophical foundations of human rights in India.
2. Discuss the major violations of human rights around the World.
3. Write a short note on the following in about 250 words each:
  - a) Interdependence between ICCPR and ICESCR.
  - b) Natural movement and Human Rights
4. Examine the features of the UN declarations on the rights of Minority and Indigenous people.
5. Explain the gender discrimination that prevails in many parts of the World.

**SECTION-II**

6. Examine the main issues in the contemporary debate on human rights.
7. Analyse the key features of radical Feminism.
8. Answer each part of the question about 250 words.
  - a) Juvenile Justice in India.
  - b) Rights of minorities in India.
9. Explain the role of scheduled caste and scheduled tribes commission.
10. Discuss Gandhi's views on human rights.