

**MGP**

**GANDHI AND PEACE STUDIES**  
(Modular)

**Assignment 2015-2016**

**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, 2015 Session</b>	<b>31st March, 2016</b>	<b>The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you</b>
<b>For January, 2016 Session</b>	<b>30th September, 2016</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**

Assignment Code: MGP-001/ASST/TMA/2015-16

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 emergence of the Khilafat and Non-Cooperation movements.
2. Examine the defining movements and incidents in Gandhi's early life that shaped his character.
3. Describe the influence of the following on Gandhi:
  - a) Ramayana and Bhagwat Gita
  - b) Scriptures, Folklore and Raichand Bhai
4. Describe the Gandhi's fight against racial discrimination and securing rights for Indian labour in South Africa.
5. Briefly describe the experiences of Gandhi as a student of law in London.

**SECTION- II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) The Kheda Satyagraha
  - b) Champaran Satyagraha
7.
  - a) Second Round Table Conference
  - b) Rowlatt Satyagraha
8.
  - a) Communal Award
  - b) Poona Pact
9.
  - a) Gopala Krishna Gokhale
  - b) Bhagat Singh
10.
  - a) Rabindranath Tagore
  - b) Dr. BR Ambedkar

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

Assignment Code: MGP-002/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 impact of Jain tradition on Gandhi with particular reference to his concept of Ahimsa.
2. Discuss the Bhakti movement and its influence on the people of India.
3. Explain the meaning and significance of truth in Gandhi's life.
4. Describe the influence of Western thinkers on Gandhi's economic and political philosophy.
5. Briefly explain the economic views of John Ruskin.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Gandhian approach to human nature
  - b) Gandhi's views on untouchability
7.
  - a) Bhakti movement
  - b) Gandhi's views of Hinduism
8.
  - a) Gandhi's views on Indian civilisation
  - b) Gandhi's arguments against modern civilisation
9.
  - a) Gandhian idea of non-violent revolution
  - b) Gandhi's Concept of God
10.
  - a) Duty of disobedience
  - b) Swadeshi movement and Khadi

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

**Assignment Code: MGP-003/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 describe the Gandhian critique of Indian social order.
2. Examine the Gandhian approach to Hindu-Muslim unity.
3. Discuss the role and contribution of women in the Indian freedom struggle.
4. Examine Gandhi's views on Varnashrama Dharama.
5. Explain the importance of the concept of truth in Gandhian thought.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words each.**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's views on depressed classes in India
  - b) Gandhi's views on education
7.
  - a) Gandhi's views on labour in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
  - b) Gandhi's views on health
8.
  - a) Modernity in India
  - b) Communal Conflict in British India.
9.
  - a) Post Gandhian Era
  - b) Gandhi's views on industrial relations
10.
  - a) Minority rights in India
  - b) Gandhi and the partition of India

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

Assignment Code: MGP-004/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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. Gandhi provides a framework for a participatory, functional and a development state with maximum inclusion. Elucidate.
2. Discuss Gandhi's conception of Gram Swaraj.
3. Examine the nature of Indian political institutions and practices during British rule.
4. What was Gandhi's assessment of Indian National Congress and British political institutions in Hind Swaraj?
5. Critically examine Gandhi's criticism of machinery

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note of each part of the question in about 250 words each.**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of individual autonomy
  - b) Gandhi's concept of rights and duties
7.
  - a) Importance of purity of means in Gandhian thought
  - b) Gandhi's concept of Power
8.
  - a) Gandhi's non-violent struggle against colonialism
  - b) Gandhi's concept of World Order
9.
  - a) Gandhi's views on constitutionalism
  - b) Gandhi's critique of socialism and communism
10.
  - a) Main elements of Gandhian pacifism
  - b) Gandhian perspective on economic equality and the means to realize it.

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

Assignment Code: MGP-005/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 Gandhi's views on Peace, Well-being and Justice.
2. Critically examine the various coercive methods of conflict resolution.
3. Examine the major development models on peace and participatory democracy.
4. Explain the different ways a society regulates conflict and prevents violence.
5. Explain the types and levels of conflicts.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words each.**

6.
  - a) Colonialism in South Africa
  - b) Western and Eastern perspectives on conflicts and their resolution
7.
  - a) Meaning of alternative dispute resolution
  - b) Importance of non-violence for a peaceful world order
8.
  - a) Give justification for equality in the midst of inequality
  - b) Human development and poverty eradication.
9.
  - a) Liberal and Marxist views on equality and inequality
  - b) Meaning and importance of Peace education
10.
  - a) Religious harmony
  - b) Peace movements.

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-006/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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. What are the points of criticism that Gandhi raises against modern economics?
2. Gandhi's encounters with colonialism in India and abroad shaped his economic thought. Elucidate.
3. Describe the basic Indian sources that influenced Gandhi's thought on economics.
4. Examine the core features of J .C. Kumarappa's economic philosophy and ideas.
5. Examine Gandhi's concept of bread labour. Does it solve the problem of inequality and exploitation in the society?

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words each.**

6.
  - a) Colonialism in South Africa
  - b) Gandhian concept of Swadeshi in the contemporary world
7.
  - a) Gandhi's theory of Trusteeship
  - b) Gandhi's doctrine of limitation of wants
8.
  - a) Gandhi's views on machinery and industrialisation
  - b) Gandhi's concept of non-violent economic order
9.
  - a) Decentralised planning in India
  - b) Basic elements of cooperatives in India
10.
  - a) Importance of cottage industries in India
  - b) Sustainable economy and social justice in India.

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-007/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 role of leadership in peace movements in India.
2. Assess the non-violent movements in post-Gandhian era.
3. Critically examine the various social problems confronting India today.
4. Discuss the major concerns of liquor policy and public health related issues in India.
5. Critically examine the contemporary relevance of Bhoodan movement.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words each.**

6.
  - a) Total revolution
  - b) Democracy and social revolution in India
7.
  - a) Farmers movement in India
  - b) Non-violent environmental movements in India
8.
  - a) Non-violent struggle against large Dam constructions
  - b) Chipko Andolan movement
9.
  - a) Silent Valley movement
  - b) National water awareness campaigns
10.
  - a) Black civil rights movements in the US
  - b) Anti-apartheid movement in South Africa

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-008/ASST/TMA/2015-16

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 evaluate the different approaches of peace building.
2. Forgiveness and tolerance are pre-requisites for harmony. Discuss.
3. Write a short note on the following:
  - a) People's participation in peace process
  - b) Gandhi's views on Shanti Sena
4. Discuss the various sources of conflict.
5. Briefly discuss some of the non-Western approaches to conflict resolution.

**SECTION- II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's non-violence and pacifism
  - b) Functional approach to peace and its limitations
7.
  - a) Gandhian approach to tolerance
  - b) Gandhi's vision of community peace
8.
  - a) Relevance of dialogue and negotiation in the contemporary world
  - b) Gandhian approach to resolving social conflicts
9.
  - a) Importance of dialogue and negotiation in conflict resolution
  - b) Gandhi's views on fasting as a means for resolving conflicts
10.
  - a) India's role in Sri Lanka ethnic conflict
  - b) Relevance of Gandhism in Tibet, Myanmar and Bhutan

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-009/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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. What is globalization? How has it affected science and technology?
2. Critically examine the environmental debates vis a vis life style choices.
3. What are the factors preventing the “Society of States” from keeping peace and order?
4. Briefly explain the basic principles of Gram Swaraj.
5. Explain the debate on the advanced capitalist state. What are its criticisms?

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Marxist and Social democracy
  - b) Gram Swaraj and its contemporary relevance
7.
  - a) Gandhi’s secularism on India
  - b) Women awakening in Gandhi’s era
8.
  - a) Gandhi’s views on religious and cultural diversity
  - b) Gandhian approach to social inclusion
9.
  - a) Media and the contemporary world
  - b) Cultural and religious roots of human rights
10.
  - a) Gandhi’s idea of self development
  - b) Socio-cultural ramifications of globalisation.

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-010/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 the nature of conflicts in the contemporary society.
2. Critically examine the various theoretical arguments on conflict and their impact on the study of peace.
3. Explain each of the following in about 250 words:
  - a) Conflict resolution
  - b) Role of UN in peace-building
4. Explain the main characteristics of conflict management.
5. Describe Gene Sharp's approach to strategic non-violence conflict transformation.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Approaches to conflict transformation
  - b) Edward Azar on social conflict
7.
  - a) Problem of violence in Nagaland.
  - b) Main causes of terrorism in Punjab
8.
  - a) Gandhi's idea of Swaraj
  - b) Conflict in Afghanistan
9.
  - a) Describe the idea of Trusteeship as propounded by Gandhi
  - b) Characteristics of Gandhi's Satyagraha campaigns in South Africa
10.
  - a) Post-conflict reconstruction and peace building strategies
  - b) Role of NGOs in the post-conflict reconstruction and rehabilitation efforts of Sri Lanka.

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-011/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 human rights approach to human development and security bringing out its contribution to inclusive development.
2. Explain the state of human security and human development in India.
3. Explain the following in your own words:
  - a) Characteristics of terrorism
  - b) State violence in South Asia
4. Briefly describe Galtung's idea on structural violence.
5. Critically examine state violence in India

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Human security and peace building
  - b) National Food Security Act
7.
  - a) Significance of global warming
  - b) Gandhi's internationalism for human security
8.
  - a) Food security and global concerns
  - b) Problems of unorganized labour in India
9.
  - a) Gender development and human security
  - b) Different dimensions of violence
10.
  - a) Human security and poverty eradication in South Asia
  - b) Problems of child labour in India

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-012/ASST/TMA/2015-16

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 characteristics of Gender and Women development in India.
2. Examine the relevance of Gandhian legacy for the contemporary Women's movement.
3. Explain the following in your own words in about 250 words each:
  - a) Compare Women in Buddhism and Jainism
  - b) Role of Women in peace building, peacemaking and peace keeping
4. What is gender based violence? What legal frameworks exist to deal with this problem?
5. Critically examine the causes for violence against Women in contemporary World.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's idea of development
  - b) Women's political participation in India.
7.
  - a) Marxist theory or development
  - b) Effects of globalization on women
8.
  - a) Contribution of women in the field of environment
  - b) Role of women in different cultures
9.
  - a) Grameen Bank in Bangladesh
  - b) Green Belt movement in Kenya
10.
  - a) Gandhian approach to peace and international cooperation
  - b) Women's participation in politics.

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

**Assignment Code: MGPE-013/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 Hegel's notion of civil society.
2. Critically examine the issue of accountability of civil society organisations.
3. Discuss the relevance of civil society in Asia.
4. Describe the Gramscian concept of civil society.
5. Briefly describe the major theories on the modern state.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Contemporary non-violent protest movements.
  - b) Global peace movements.
7.
  - a) Role of NGO's in peace process
  - b) Evolution and concept of peace
8.
  - a) Peace movements in India.
  - b) Gandhi's views on capacity building and empowerment.
9.
  - a) Role of social movements for mobilizing voluntary action
  - b) Accountability of civil society organisations
10.
  - a) Anti globalisation movements
  - b) Peace education

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-014/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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. Describe the contemporary debates relating to ecology and development in India.
2. Critically examine the three types of relationship between environment and development.
3. Compare the industrial era world view with the newly emerging alternative world view.
4. Examine Gandhi's thoughts on environment convention.
5. Why is Mahatma Gandhi called a great human ecologist? Explain.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's approach to development
  - b) Gandhian life style and livelihood
7.
  - a) Small and simple is beautiful
  - b) Gandhian idea of village Swaraj
8.
  - a) Meaning and genesis of Sarvodaya
  - b) Objectives and principles of environmental education
9.
  - a) Conservation of natural resources
  - b) Decentralisation
10.
  - a) Industrial dimension of development
  - b) 'Ralegan Siddhi' is an ideal village and human development

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-015/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 describe the different sources of data in social science research.
2. What are the major debates about research paradigms?
3. Explain the following in your own words:
  - a) Gandhian approach to social science problem
  - b) Selecting a research problem
4. Discuss the problems, issues and dilemmas in ethnographic research.
5. What are the main features of Literature Review? How does it help in defining research problem?

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Analysis of conflict as devised by Marie Dugan
  - b) Distinguish fundamental and applied research
7.
  - a) Conflict mapping as given by Pane Wehr
  - b) Methods of data collection
8.
  - a) Approaches to peace building model
  - b) Computer application in research work.
9.
  - a) Hypothesis training
  - b) Role of theory in research framework
10.
  - a) Organising the research findings
  - b) Meaning and types of field data

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

Assignment Code: MGPE-016/ASST/TMA/2015-16  
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 historical and traditional foundation of rights in India
2. Trace the development of human rights during the course of the national movement.
3. Write a short note on the following in about 250 words each:
  - a) Significance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
  - b) Indian civil society and human rights.
4. Describe the major violations of human rights and gender discrimination in contemporary world.
5. Critically explain the implementation mechanism of the two UN Covenants on Human Rights.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the following questions in about 250 words.**

6.
  - a) Emerging challenges of child rights in India
  - b) Constitutions provisions to protect the rights of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes
7.
  - a) Rights of the minorities and marginalized in India
  - b) Rights of the indigenous groups
8.
  - a) Interdependence of political and economic rights
  - b) Gandhian approach to social reforms
9.
  - a) Gandhi as a crusader of human rights
  - b) Economic and educational rights
10.
  - a) Satyagraha and its contemporary relevance
  - b) International Bill of Human Rights.