

**Master of Arts (Development Studies)  
(MADVS)  
Assignments**

**(July, 2022 and January, 2023 Sessions)**



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Dear Learner,

You will have to do one assignment for each course. Each assignment carries 100 marks. Irrespective of the year of registration you need to submit the latest assignments uploaded on the website.

### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Read the detailed instructions about assignments given in the Programme Guide.
- 2) The top of the first page of your response sheet should look like this:

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- 4) Use A-4 size paper for your responses, write on both sides with margin and tie all the pages carefully.
- 5) Write the question number with each answer.
- 6) **You should write in your own handwriting.**
- 7) **Last date for submitting the assignments for July 2022 Session is 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and for January 2023 Session is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.**

### GUIDELINES

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignments carefully. Go through the reading material / books on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange these in a logical order.
- 2) **Organization:** Be a little more selective and analytical. Give attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must offer your brief interpretation of the question and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your response to the question.  
**Make sure that your answer:**
  - a) is around 600 words;
  - b) is logical and coherent;
  - c) has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs;
  - d) is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation;
- 3) **Presentations:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission, writing each answer neatly and underline the points you wish to emphasize.

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**ASSIGNMENT - 1****Course Code: MDV-101  
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What are development paradigms? Discuss the sustainable development paradigm in detail.
2. Discuss Marxian model of economic development.
3. What is the basic idea behind unbalanced development theories? Discuss Hirschman's strategy of unbalance.
4. Discuss Gunnar Myrdal's Development State Theory.
5. What do you understand by Capabilities Approach? Discuss the basic concepts of Capability Approach.

**ASSIGNMENT - 2****Course Code: MDV-102  
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What are the dimensions and factors of social change? Explain.
2. What is Conflict? Explain the types and causes of conflict?
3. Discuss the role of multilateral international agencies in development. Explain the role of WHO?
4. Define Freedom. Explain the relationship between freedom and the market?
5. What do you mean by Inclusive Development? Explain need and importance of Inclusive Development?

**ASSIGNMENT - 3****Course Code: MDV-103  
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each**

1. Critically explain various theories of population.
2. Discuss the path of industrial development of Europe, America and Japan. What lessons India has to learn from them.
3. Explain the relationship between health and development. Discuss various issues and challenges of health development.
4. What do you mean by climate change? Discuss consequences and impact of climate change on environment and development.
5. Describe the need and importance of e-Governance in development. Discuss a few e-governance initiatives in India by giving suitable examples.

**ASSIGNMENT - 4****Course Code: MDV-106  
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each**

1. What is a research design? What are the functions of a research design? Discuss Observational design in detail.
2. What is development research? What are the different methods of development research? Discuss the focus group discussion method in detail.
3. What is meant measurement? Discuss the different kinds of measurement?
4. What are the different methods of qualitative data collection? Discuss in detail the case study method of qualitative data collection.
5. What are the different types of data? Discuss the graphical method of data presentation.

**ASSIGNMENT - 5****Course Code: MDV-109****Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. Discuss the important reasons of migration from rural to urban areas? How have urban slums become a major challenge in urbanization?
2. What do you mean by economic drain in pre-independence India? What were the causes of economic drain?
3. What do you understand by service sector? What is the importance of service sector in development of India?
4. What is Globalization? Discuss the impact of globalization on development of India with special reference agriculture sector.
5. Explain various programmes undertaken by government of India for the development of Scheduled Tribes since independence.

**ASSIGNMENT - 6****Course Code: MDV-004****Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What is social construction? Explain different components of social construction and gender?
2. What do you understand by Liberal Feminism? Critically explain liberal thought and classical Liberal Feminism?
3. What do you mean by engendering governance? Explain the need and initiatives for engendering governance?
4. What is women entrepreneurship? What are the problems faced by women entrepreneurs in India?
5. What are the Development Goals with regard to education? Explain barriers to women's education?

**ASSIGNMENT - 7**

**Course Code: MDV-105**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. How to formulate programmes based on identified needs of the people? Explain with an example from any development sector.
2. What is the difference between effectiveness and efficiency of monitoring? Discuss different types of monitoring.
3. Write the basic rules for preparing networks with the help of diagrams.
4. What do you mean by levels of management? Describe the levels of management and managerial skills required at each level.
5. Name different management functions. Discuss the skillful application of any two management functions in development.

**ASSIGNMENT - 8**

**Course Code: MDV- 108**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What is meant by development extension? Discuss the interrelationship between extension and development with suitable examples.
2. Discuss the nature, importance and functions of communication in development work.
3. Explain the concepts of learning, learning experience and learning situations in the context of development with suitable examples.
4. What is meant by diffusion process? Describe the elements in the diffusion of innovations.
5. Discuss the methods of measuring opinion leadership with advantages and disadvantages.

**ASSIGNMENT - 9****Course Code: MDV- 110  
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. Classify the types of training. Discuss the training types based on context with suitable examples.
2. Discuss the major approaches in training needs analysis with examples.
3. Explain different types and roles of trainers with suitable examples.
4. What is meant by training impact? Discuss various indicators of training impact assessment.
5. Differentiate between different e-training courses. Write any five benefits and constraints of e-training in the context of Covid-19 pandemic.

**ASSIGNMENT - 10****Course Code: MDV-111  
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What are the problems faced by the women leaders of marginalized sections in Panchayati Raj Institutions? Explain the need for capacity-building of women leaders.
2. What do you understand by Parallel Bodies? What are the factors responsible for the growth of parallel bodies?
3. Explain the importance and need for capacity- building of local self-government representatives. Describe various principles of capacity building.
4. Discuss the key features of the 74<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment and its implementations in urban local bodies.
5. Why has Public Private Partnership Model become so important? Enumerate the types of Public Private Partnership Models available.

**ASSIGNMENT - 11****Course Code: MEDS-041****Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. Explain the process of urbanization in north and south. How was the process of urbanization in the post-colonial era?
2. Describe urban planning in India during different plan periods.
3. What are different types of urban local bodies? Discuss municipal governance before and after 74<sup>th</sup> constitutional amendment?
4. Explain various types of municipal assets. Discuss the models of valuation of fixed municipal assets.
5. What are various principles and approaches to participatory development? Discuss measures to be taken for the promotion of participatory development.

**ASSIGNMENT - 12****Course Code: MEDS-042****Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What is urban housing? Briefly discuss urban housing policies and plans of India.
2. Discuss the urban transport management system with suitable examples.
3. Describe various dimensions of urban crime. Suggest measures for strengthening urban safety and security.
4. What is urban poverty? Discuss causes and consequences of urban poverty.
5. What are economic values of water bodies and wet lands? Suggests measures for revitalizing urban water bodies.

**ASSIGNMENT - 13****Course Code: MDV-115****Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. Explain National Family Health Survey in India. Discuss its objectives, survey design, field work and its results for health care policy and programmes.
2. What is 'age-sex structure'? Make a comparison between developed and developing countries in terms of population composition.
3. Discuss inter-sectoral co-ordination. Why is there need a for co-ordination in primary health care?
4. Explain major steps in developing Health management information system (HMIS) in India.
5. What are the major adolescent health problems? Describe the importance of adolescent health care in developing countries.



**ASSIGNMENT - 14****Course Code: MRD-101  
Maximum Marks: 100**

**Note:** The assignment has three sections. It contains questions, which require long, medium and short answers. A long answer should not exceed 1000 words. Medium answers should not exceed 500 words each. Short answers should not exceed 100 words each.

**Long Answers Questions****Maximum Marks: 40**Attempt any **One** of the following:

1. What do you mean by empowerment? Explain the role of panchayats as an agent of political empowerment.
2. Describe the major approaches to land reforms in India
3. What do you understand by the concept of development? Describe the main indicators of development

**Medium Answers Questions****Maximum Marks: 15 each**Attempt any **Two** of the following:

1. Explain the development of cooperatives in India.
2. Discuss the process of economic and political empowerment of the rural poor.
3. Describe the important features of green revolution.

**Short Answers Questions****Maximum Marks: 6 each**Write short notes on any **Five** of the following:

1. Village Knowledge Centre
2. Little and Great Traditions
3. Barriers to Communication
4. Grameen Bank
5. Cultural Empowerment
6. Micro Credit
7. Sample Survey
8. Cropping Pattern