Assignment Booklet

**MSC GEOINFORMATICS
(MSCGI)**

ASSIGNMENTS

JULY 2024 CYCLE

Valid from July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Tutor Marked Assignments (TMA) for **Semester-I** Courses
MGY-101
MGY-102 &
MGY-103

**It is compulsory to submit the Assignments before filling in the
Term-End Examination (TEE) Form**

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(2024)

Dear Learner,

Welcome to the MSc Geoinformatics (MSCGI) Programme.

As per the laid down guidelines of the University, you need to complete the assignment for each course. Each assignment has 6 to 9 questions. All the questions are compulsory. It is important that you should write the answers to all the questions in your own words. You should remember that writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

This booklet includes assignments for the following three courses:

MGY-101: Introduction to Geoinformatics

MGY-102: Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation

MGY-103: Global Navigation Satellite System and Geographic Information System

It is compulsory to submit the assignments within the stipulated time to be eligible for appearing the term-end examination. You will not be allowed to appear for the term-end examination for a course if you do not submit the assignment for that course within the due date. As per the University guidelines, if you appear in the term-end examination of a course without submitting its assignment, the result of the term-end examination is liable to be cancelled/ withheld.

The assignments constitute the continuous component of the evaluation process and have 30% weightage in the final grading.

Before you write the assignments, first go through the course material and then prepare the assignments carefully by following the instructions pertaining to assignments. Your responses should not be a verbatim reproduction of the textual materials provided for self-learning purposes but it should be in your own words.

If you have any doubt or problem pertaining to the course material and assignments, contact the concerned Programme in-charge or Academic Counsellor at your Study Centre. If you still have problems, do feel free to contact us at the School of Sciences, IGNOU, New Delhi.

Wishing you all the best to successfully complete the programme.

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. On the first page of the assignment response sheet, write the course code, course title, assignment code, name of your study centre (SC) and date of submission.

2. Your enrollment number, name and full address should be mentioned on the top right corner of the first page.

3. Write the Course title, assignment number and the name of the study centre you are attached to, in the centre of the first page of your response sheet.

4. The top of the first page of your response sheet should be like the following:

NAME: …....................…………...................……………..………….........................

ENROLLMENT NO.: ....…………........................

CYCLE OF ADMISSION: …..………....................……………...........................

PROGRAMME CODE: ....…………........................

ASSIGNMENT CODE: …………………………....………….............................

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DATE OF SUBMISSION: ………….………...............…………........................

Strictly follow the above format. If you do not follow this format, your script will be returned to you and you will be asked for re-submission.

5. Read the instructions related to assignments given in the Programme Guide.

6. Please note that unless you submit the assignments contained in this booklet within the stipulated time, you would not be permitted to appear for the term-end examination.

Note the following points before you start writing the assignments:

- Use only A-4 size paper for writing your responses. Only hand written assignments will be accepted. **Typed or printed copies of assignments will not be accepted.**

- Tie the pages after numbering them carefully.

- Write the question number for each answer.

- All the questions are compulsory.

- Keep a copy of the assignment answer sheets with you before submission for future reference.

- Answer each assignment on separate sheet.

- It is mandatory to write all assignments neatly in **your own handwriting. Write Your Name, Course Code, Enrollment No. and Cycle of admission** on all the assignments in bold letters**.**

- **Express your response in your own words. You are advised to restrict your response based on the marks assigned to it. This will also help you to distribute your time in writing or completing your assignments on time.**

- **The assignment has to be submitted at your Study Centre.**

You have to submit their completed assignments at the **Study Centre** allotted to you before the due date as set by the University.

It is desirable to keep with you a photocopy of the assignment(s) submitted by you.

*You have to submit the assignments to the Study Centre by **31st March, 2024** (for January 2024 Cycle) if you wish to appear in the June 2023 TEE and by **30th September, 2024** (for July 2024 Cycle) if you wish to appear in the December 2023 TEE.

Due Date of Submission*: For January 2024 Cycle: March 31, 2024
For July 2024 Cycle: September 30, 2024

*Please note that last date of submission may be changed by the University. Please check IGNOU website for updated information regarding due date of assignment submission.

Tutor Marked Assignment

MGY-101: Introduction to Geoinformatics

Note: **Attempt all questions. The marks for each question are indicated against it. Write all answers in your own words; do not copy from the Self Learning Materials (SLMs). Write your answers in about 200 and 400 words for short notes and long answers, respectively.**

Part A

1. Write short notes on the following:

    a) Recent trends and development in GIS   (5)

    b) Employment prospects in geoinformatics   (5)

2. Give an account of various components of Geoinformatics.   (10)

3. Discuss the policy initiatives of Indian Government regarding geospatial data. (10)

Part B

4. Write short notes on the following:

    a) Sources of satellite remote sensing images   (5)

    b) Geospatial-Internet of Things (IOT)   (5)

    c) Geospatial programming   (5)

5. Give an account of sources of vector data.   (10)

6. Discuss various FOSS geospatial tools.   (10)

Part C

7. Write short notes on the following:

    a) Map projection parameters   (5)

    b) Applications of geoinformatics in forest related studies   (5)

    c) Contour representation for different types of landforms   (5)

8. How can geoinformatics be used for rural and urban planning? Discuss and support (10)
   your answers with Indian examples.

9. Discuss the growth and challenges of geoinformatics in India.   (10)

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Tutor Marked Assignment

MGY-102: Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation

Note: **Attempt all questions. The marks for each question are indicated against it. Write all answers in your own words; do not copy from the Self Learning Materials (SLMs). Write your answers in about 200 and 400 words for short and long answers, respectively.**

Part A

1. What is spectral signature? Describe the spectral signature of vegetation and the factors influencing it. Support your answer with neat well labelled diagrams, wherever required. (10)

2. Explain the platforms and orbits used for remote sensing. (10)

3. Write short notes on the following:

   a) Scattering (5)
   b) QuickBird and IKONOS (5)
   c) Along track scanners (5)
   d) INSAT series of satellites (5)
   e) BIL data format (5)
   f) MERIS (5)

Part B

4. What is ground truthing? Give an account of ground truth data collection. (10)

5. Discuss the types of errors present in remote sensing images. (10)

6. Write short notes on the following:

   a) Visual image interpretation (5)
   b) Image histogram and its significance (5)
   c) Advantages of digital image interpretation (5)
   d) Signature evaluation (5)
   e) Accuracy Assessment (5)
   f) Colour Composite (5)

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Tutor Marked Assignment

MGY-103: Global Navigation Satellite System and Geographic Information System

Note: Attempt all questions. The marks for each question are indicated against it. Write all answers in your own words; do not copy from the Self Learning Materials (SLMs). Write your answers in about 200 and 400 words for short and long answers, respectively.

Part A

1. Discuss the GLONASS and its three segments with the help of suitable diagrams, wherever required. (10)

2. Describe the organisational aspects of GIS. (10)

3. Write short notes on the following:
   a) Comparison of GNSS over conventional surveying methods (5)
   b) Sources of errors in GNSS based observations (5)
   c) Trilateration (5)
   d) Comparison of raster and vector data models (5)
   e) Vector data structure (5)
   f) Digital representation of data and geospatial data (5)

Part B

4. Discuss the methods of GIS data inputs with suitable examples. (10)

5. What do you understand by vector data analysis? Discuss overlay operations with the help of neat well labelled diagrams. (10)

6. Write short notes on the following:
   a) GIS data standards (5)
   b) Non-spatial data structure (5)
   c) Concept of topology in GIS (5)
   d) Data quality and the FAIR principles of spatial data (5)
   e) Stages of map design (5)
   f) Spatial interpolation (5)

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