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MASTER DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK (MSW First Year)

Assignment: 2024-2025

Course Titles

MSW-001	: Origin and Development of Social Work
MSW-002	: Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives
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MSW-003	: Basic Social Science Concepts
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Last Date of Submission of Assignments to the Study Centre

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Note : Kindly write the assignments for the courses you have opted.



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Welcome to the MSW programme of IGNOU. You have purposefully chosen to become a post graduate in Social Work to contribute towards improving the social conditions of people. To successfully complete your MSW program, kindly follow the following tips:

- Read the programme guide before you begin your studies. It will clarify most of your doubts regarding how to go about doing the MSW Program from IGNOU.
- Submit your assignments to the Study Centre on time.
- Be in touch with your Study Centre and Regional Centre
- Meet your Field Work Supervisor (FWS) at the Study Centre for Fieldwork Supervision
- Fill up the examination form on time.

Assignments are open book examination and we at IGNOU assign 30 per cent weightage to the assignment while calculating the overall grade for each course. **Assignments are to be handwritten and duly signed before its submission in the Study Centre.** In order to prepare a good set of assignment responses, you must first of all read the units) from which a particular question has been framed. Discuss with your peer-group and academic counselors who teach you. Prepare a draft, do the necessary correction on it and then, prepare the final version for submission to the Study Centre.

Make sure that each answer starts on a new page. For long and medium answers, ensure that there is an introduction, sub-titles, body and a conclusion. One line should be left between each paragraph. Make sure your answers are specific and in your own words and do not copy from books. Your answers will be exclusively based on the IGNOU materials only. Preparation of assignments is preparation for your term-end examination. Therefore take the assignments seriously.

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Programme Coordinator

Origin and Development of Social Work ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-001
Total marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

1. Trace the history of social work in India. 20
Or
Define social action. Discuss the key components of social action with examples. 20
2. Discuss the development of ecological systems theory in social work. 20
OR
Trace the history of open and distance learning in social work education in India. 20
3. Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each:
 - a) Explain the contribution of social work research method to paradigm of practice. 10
 - b) Distinguish between community organization and community development. 10
 - c) Outline briefly the practice of social welfare administration. 10
 - d) Discuss the scope of social case work with examples. 10
4. Write short notes on any four of the following in about 150 words each:
 - a) What are the attributes of a social work profession? 5
 - b) Describe the origin of social group work. 5
 - c) List the objectives of social work. 5
 - d) Define indigenization of social work knowledge. 5
 - e) Enlist NASW code of ethics. 5
 - f) Highlight different roles played by a social worker. 5
5. Write short notes on any five of the following in about 100 words each:
 - a) Charity organisation 4
 - b) Social justice 4
 - c) Social defence 4
 - d) Social welfare 4
 - e) Social reform movement 4
 - f) Social legislation 4
 - g) Social security 4
 - h) Social network 4

Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives
ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-002

Total marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

- 1) Describe the development and impact of Gandhian Social Work in post Gandhian period. 20

Or

Explain the stages of Social Work Education and Literature Development. 20
- 2) Discuss the role of social workers in policy formulation and development. Give examples. 20

Or

Define Jainism and Social Work with suitable examples. 20
- 3) Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each:
 - a) Define social work as career with suitable examples. 10
 - b) Discuss the impact of social reform movement in Indian society. 10
 - c) Explain the basic ideals of Jainism. 10
 - d) What is National Development Council? Discuss 10
- 4) Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each:
 - a) Enlist the functions of Planning Commission. 5
 - b) What are the objectives of NAPSWI? Briefly explain. 5
 - c) Describe the various fields of social work practice. 5
 - d) Discuss briefly the efforts of the Hindu religious organizations with regards to people's welfare. 5
 - e) Define Hinduism and Social Work. 5
 - f) Elaborate Buddhist's community services and development. 5
- 5) Write short notes on any five of the following questions in about 100 words each:
 - a) Violence and Non-violence in Buddhism. 4
 - b) Social Action. 4
 - c) Social Work settings 4
 - d) Social Work in Education 4
 - e) Social Policy 4
 - f) Five Year Plans 4
 - g) Gandhian Social Work 4
 - h) Social Worker's Image 4

Social Work Practicum and Supervision ASSIGNMENT

Course Code : MSW-005
Total marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

- 1) Discuss the problems in field training at Indian Scenario. 20
Or
Present the learning expectations in working with individuals, families and groups. 20
- 2) Highlight the common stressors, its impact and ways to deal with stress. 20
Or
Explain the areas for practice in health care social work. 20
- 3) Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each:
 - a) Discuss how one has to prepare himself/herself for the social work practicum. 10
 - b) Write in detail the students learning expectations and responsibilities in social work practice. 10
 - c) Explain the models of supervision? 10
 - d) What are the roles of social worker in the correctional setting? 10
- 4) Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each:
 - a) Mention the need for interdisciplinary practice and education in social work practicum. 5
 - b) Explain the principles applied by social worker in practicum. 5
 - c) Describe how to deal with conflict in supervision. 5
 - d) Highlight the important issues in supervising field practicum. 5
 - e) Discuss the evaluation criteria of students. 5
 - f) Mention the tasks performed by school social worker. 5
- 5) Write short notes on any five of the following questions in about 100 words each:
 - a) Distance learning mode 4
 - b) Agency-client relationship 4
 - c) Orientation in Social Work Practicum 4
 - d) Faculty supervisor role 4
 - e) Didactic supervision 4
 - f) Genogram and Ecomap 4
 - g) Corporate Sector 4
 - h) Donor agencies 4

Basic Social Science Concepts ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-003

Total marks : 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

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| 1) Describe the relationship of social work with other disciplines. | 20 |
| Or | |
| Discuss the theories of personality development. | 20 |
| 2) List the stages of human growth and development. | 20 |
| Or | |
| Explain the contemporary problems in family system. | 20 |
| 3) Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each: | |
| a) Explain the differences of urban, rural and tribal communities. | 10 |
| b) Discuss the theories of motivation. | 10 |
| c) What are the main agencies of socialization? | 10 |
| d) Describe the concept of Defense Mechanisms | 10 |
| 4) Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each: | |
| a) Definition of Groups. Discuss the group process. | 5 |
| b) Explain the meaning and functions of family. | 5 |
| c) What is mean by family disorganization and Social Work Intervention? | 5 |
| d) Describe the relevance of the concepts of society and culture for social work practice. | 5 |
| e) What are the essential characteristics of a group? | 5 |
| f) Elaborate the differentiate between rural community and urban community | 5 |
| 5) Write short notes on any five of the following questions in about 100 words each: | |
| a) Society | 4 |
| b) Social stratification | 4 |
| c) The oral stage | 4 |
| d) Repression | 4 |
| e) Postmodern society | 4 |
| f) Social learning | 4 |
| g) Delinquent behavior | 4 |
| h) Projection | 4 |

**Social Work and Social Development
ASSIGNMENT**

Course Code : MSW-004

Total marks : 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

- 1) Describe the theories of migration and examine their relevance. 20
Or
Elaborate the Origin and Evolution of Sustainable Development. 20
- 2) Enlist Directive Principles of the State Policy. 20
OR
Explain the rights of women under the personal/family laws. 20
- 3) Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each:
- a) Explain the urbanization as a process and its impact. 10
b) Describe the indicators of human development. 10
c) Elucidate provisions of laws for Scheduled caste and scheduled tribe. 10
d) What is the linkage between social work and human rights? 10
- 4) Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each:
- a) Describe the impact of globalization on rural community. 5
b) Explain the trends in employment and unemployment in India. 5
c) List the policies and planning for women in India. 5
d) Highlight the child labour (prohibition and regulation) act, 1986. 5
e) Write a note on right to freedom and expression. 5
f) Analyze the consequences of Industrialization. 5
- 5) Write short notes on any five of the following questions in about 100 words each:
- a) Urbanisation 4
b) Liberalization 4
c) Writes 4
d) Politics of Population 4
e) HDI 4
f) Legal Aids 4
g) Social Advocacy 4
h) Sustainable development 4

Social Work Research
ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-006
Total marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

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| 1) Prepare a research proposal on women development. | 20 |
| OR | |
| Discuss the need and process of single subject research design. | 20 |
| 2) Illustrate the methods of sampling with suitable examples. | 20 |
| OR | |
| Present the measures of central tendency with suitable example | 20 |
| 3) Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each: | |
| a) Briefly explain the stages of research process. | 10 |
| b) Highlight the key aspects of descriptive and action research design. | 10 |
| c) Enlist the key features and use of observation in social research. | 10 |
| d) Discuss how to write a research report | 10 |
| 4) Answer any four of the following questions in about 150 words each: | |
| a) Enlist the steps in testing of hypothesis. | 5 |
| b) Explain the major characteristics of scientific method. | 5 |
| c) What are the characteristics of experimental research? | 5 |
| d) Distinguish between questionnaire and interview schedule | 5 |
| e) Explain the techniques of interviewing. | 5 |
| f) Discuss the use of chi-square test. | 5 |
| 5) Write short notes on any five of the following questions in about 100 words each: | |
| a) Programme evaluation research | 4 |
| b) Social work research | 4 |
| c) Qualitative research | 4 |
| d) Case study method | 4 |
| e) Concept of data | 4 |
| f) Bivariate analysis | 4 |
| g) Inferential statistics | 4 |
| h) Descriptive statistics | 4 |

Social Work in African Context

ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSWE-010

Total Marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) All questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each

1. Explain the role of NGOs and FBOs in the provisions of welfare services. 20
Or
Discuss the types of social welfare practice programme in Africa. 20
2. Describe any six skills required by a community worker for an efficient intervention. 20
Or
What do you understand by community policing? Write about its distinctive features. 20
3. Answer any two of the following questions in about 300 words each:
 - a) Briefly explain the ethical principles of NASW Code. 10
 - b) What are the achievements of the Ethiopian health services extension programme? 10
 - c) How did the traditional associations emerge in the Ethiopian Community? 10
 - d) Explain how ASWEA was created in Ethiopia. 10
4. Attempt any four of the following in about 150 words each:
 - a) Write about the relevance of social work values and ethics in social work practice. 5
 - b) What is the current status of social work profession in Ethiopia? 5
 - c) Mention any three characteristics of social work research. 5
 - d) What do you think is the future of social work in Africa? Explain. 5
 - e) Highlight the phases involved in the case work process. 5
 - f) Write about the goals and functions of social group work. 5
5. Write short notes on any five of the following in about 100 words each:
 - a) Elements of PHC in Ethiopia 4
 - b) social movement 4
 - c) Detention 4
 - d) Domestic violence 4
 - e) Importance of human relationship as a value 4
 - f) Mahber 4
 - g) Social insurance 4
 - h) Field theory 4

Social Work and Criminal Justice
ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-032

Total Marks: 100

Note: Answer any five of the following questions in about 300 words each:

1. What are the essential elements of crime? Discuss various principles of criminal jurisprudence. 20
2. What is the significant contribution of the ecological school of criminology vis-à-vis juvenile delinquency? 20
3. Discuss the salient features of Indian Penal Code, 1860. 20
4. Trace the historical evolution of criminal justice system in India. 20
5. Explain the police as an agency of criminal justice in Indian context. 20
6. The presumption of innocence is cornerstone of the criminal justice system in India. Discuss in detail. 20
7. What do you mean by the framing of charge? Discuss its importance in the criminal justice process in India. 20
8. Discuss the role of legislature and judiciary in furthering the cause of prisoners' rights in India. 20