

**Master of Arts (Anthropology)
Second Year Courses
Assignments
July 2024 and January 2025 Sessions**

MANI003: Practicing Anthropology (Compulsory)

Optionals

MANE-001:	Human Genetics
MANE-002:	Human Growth and Development
MANE-003:	Comparative Ethnography
MANE-004:	Gender and Society
MANE-005:	Environment Anthropology
MANE-006:	Social Stratification
MANE-007:	Tribes in India

Programme Code: MAAN

Assignment-July 2024 and January 2025 sessions

Dear Student

You must have gone through the Programme Guide for the Master's in Anthropology (MAAN) and noted that assignment for each course is compulsory. Each assignment has been prepared covering the entire course.

It will benefit you to write the answers in your own words as it gives more clarity. Another point which you should remember while answering is the word limit, it should be maintained. There are different types of questions in the assignment, long answers (20 marks) and short answers (10marks). The questions have been designed so that you are able to answer methodically and comprehensibly. It is advisable to consult your Academic Counselors in the Study Centres before starting these assignments to clear any doubt or even if you wish to discuss your answers.

The Assignments are required to be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. Always keep the photocopy of the assignment submitted. Take an acknowledgement receipt for the assignment submitted and retain it.

The assignments would be returned back to you after evaluation. The Study Centre sends the marks to Students Evaluation Division at IGNOU and these marks would be entered to your grade card.

Guidelines for doing Assignments

It is worth keeping in mind the following points while attempting the Assignments:

Planning: Go through the assignments very carefully. Read the units on which they are based. Note important points regarding each question and then re arrange it in a logical order.

Organization: Be cautious, selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. In long answers, give adequate consideration to the introduction and conclusion. Introduction should have a brief understanding of the question and then how you intend to develop it. The conclusion should summarize the answer to your question. The answers should be sound, clear, within word limit and expresses your understanding of the subject.

Presentation: Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission; write each answer clearly and high light/underline the points you wish to emphasize.

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Submission of Assignment

Before you take your Term End Examinations, it is compulsory to submit the assignment on the schedule mentioned. It is therefore advisable to follow the rules. A total of four assignments are required to be submitted in the first year. Attempt one assignment at a time. Plan in such a way that you complete the assignment of the course you have read. Submit the assignment at your study centre and get back the assignment with marks and comments of the Counselor, it will give idea of the preparation of that particular course. There is enough time, just plan to complete all the assignment on time. Proper planning and judicious execution is required to complete the work before last date.

Last Date of Submission of Assignment

July 2024 Batch

March 31, 2025

January 2025 Batch

September 30, 2025

The Assignment should be submitted to

The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you

MANI-003: PRACTICING ANTHROPOLOGY
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANI-003
Assignment Code: MANI-003/ASST/TMA/2024-2025
Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.

SECTION A

1. What is practicing anthropology? Discuss its growth during the 1st and the 2nd World Wars. 20
2. Discuss in detail the participatory approaches in practicing anthropology. 20
3. Discuss the methods and measurements used in design anthropometry. 20
4. Discuss the methods used in forensic anthropology to identify a body. 20
5. **Attempt any two of the following:** 10+10
 - a. History of applied anthropology in USA
 - b. Genetic screening
 - c. Dispute of confidentiality

SECTION B

6. Discuss the use of multimedia in anthropology. 20
7. Discuss the role of anthropologists in disaster management. 20
8. Provide a discussion on the cultural understanding of health. 20
9. Define and delineate the anthropological understanding of development. 20
10. **Attempt any two of the following:** 10+10
 - a. Tourism anthropology
 - b. Capacity development
 - c. Kinanthropometry

MANE-001: HUMAN GENETICS
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANE-001
Assignment Code: MANE-001/ASST/TMA/2024-2025
Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.

Section A

1. Define Human Genetics? Discuss briefly the different branches of Human Genetics. 20
2. What is inbreeding? Discuss different types of inbreeding in human populations. 20
3. Describe the structure and features of DNA. 20
4. What is Mitosis? Briefly comment on various stages of cell division with suitable diagrams. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - a). Hardy- Weinberg Law
 - b). Polymorphism
 - c). FISH
 - d). Y-linked inheritance

Section B

6. Discuss the concept of gene in the light of Beadle and Tatum's work. 20
7. What is a Chromosomal aberration? Describe different types of chromosomal aberrations. 20
8. What is PTC? Describe the procedure for PTC tasting ability through serial dilution method. 20
9. Discuss different forms of DNA Polymorphisms. 20
10. Write short notes on any two of the following : 10+10
 - a). Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)
 - b). Hap Map Project
 - c). Ethical principles in genetic research
 - d). Phenylketonuria (PKU)

**Human Growth and Development (MANE 002)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT (TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 002
Assignment Code: MANE 002/AST/TMA/2024-25
Total Marks: 100**

Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt any five questions in total and at least two questions, from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

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| 1. Discuss in brief malnutrition | 20 |
| 2. Explain basic principles of growth. | 20 |
| 3. Briefly discuss the contribution by Sheldon. | 20 |
| 4. Describe the environmental factors affecting growth. | 20 |
| 5. Define and differentiate between any two of the following: | 10+10 |
| a) Dietary history | |
| b) Negative secular trend and Positive secular trend | |
| c) Distance curve and velocity curve | |

SECTION II

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| 6. Enlist the methods of studying growth and describe any one of them. | 20 |
| 7. Briefly explain body composition in context of different racial groups. | 20 |
| 8. Describe in brief prenatal growth. | 20 |
| 9. Discuss Theories of ageing. | 20 |
| 10. Write short notes on any two of the following: | 10+10 |
| a) Basic principles of growth | |
| b) Recommended dietary allowance | |
| c) Purpose and use of somatotyping | |

Comparative Ethnography (MANE-003)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT
(TMA)

Course Code: MANE 003

Assignment Code: MANE 003/AST/TMA/2024-25

Total Marks: 100

Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt five questions and at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words.

SECTION- A

1. Define ethnography? Discuss the new trends in ethnography. 20
2. Discuss the interpretative and the feminist approach in writing ethnographies with suitable examples. 20
3. Deliberate on the concept of kinship as portrayed in the ethnography *The Web of Kinship among the Tallensi*. 20
4. Analyse the concepts of class, caste and power as reflected in Andre Beteilli's work. 20
5. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Ethics in writing
 - b. *Notes on love in a Tamil Family*

SECTION-B

6. With reference to M.N. Srinivas's work outline the ritual idiom of the Coorgs. 20
7. Discuss the concept of 'coming of age' as portrayed in Margaret Mead's work. 20
8. Examine Annette B. Weiner's work among *The Trobrianders of Papua New Guinea* and how it had an impact on gender study. 20
9. Discuss the ethnography *India's Changing Villages: Human Factors in Community Development*. 20
10. Write short notes referring to the ethnographies discussed in the course: 10+10
 - a. T.N. Madan
 - b. Himalayan Polyandry

MANE-004: GENDER AND SOCIETY
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANE-004
Assignment Code: MANE-004/ASST/TMA/2024-2025
Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 5 marks question it is 125 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.

SECTION-A

1. Define patriarchy? Discuss the theoretical perspectives on its origin. 20
2. What is gender? Evaluate the concepts of masculinity and femininity. 20
3. Discuss socialisation and examine critically the role of family and schools in the gendered socialisation of a child. 20
4. Discuss family from the perspective of sexuality and heteronormativity with examples. 20
5. **Write short notes on any four of the following:** 4X5=20
 - a) Marxist Feminism
 - b) Queer Politics
 - c) Nayar Women
 - d) Bodies at menarche
 - e) Domestic labour

SECTION- B

6. Evaluate different life course events and their implications on women. 20
7. Discuss the role of women in the Telangana and Chipko movements. 20
8. Examine how globalisation affects gender behaviour. 20
9. Examine the identity, status, and role of women in caste-based societies. 20
10. **Discuss and differentiate between any two of the following:** 10+10
 - a. Sex and gender
 - b. Liberal and radical feminisms
 - c. American and French psychoanalytical theory

**Environmental Anthropology (MANE 005)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT (TMA)**

**Course Code: MANE 005
Assignment Code: MANE 005/AST/TMA/2024-25
Total Marks: 100**

Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt any five questions in total and at least two questions, from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. Discuss Environmental anthropology, its scope, emergence and development. 20
2. Define Hunter-Gatherers and discuss their classification. 20
3. Briefly discuss the concept of ecosystem. 20
4. Briefly discuss colonial and post colonial forest policies in India. 20
5. Define and differentiate between any two of the following: 10+10
 - d) The origins of agriculture
 - e) Protectionist and community based conservations
 - f) Indigenous Peoples and environmental justice.

SECTION B

6. Briefly discuss current trends in environmental anthropology. 20
7. Gender, water and environment. Discuss. 20
8. Discuss the domains of applications in environmental anthropology. 20
9. Discuss in brief ecological succession. 20
10. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - d) Arid and semi-arid regions
 - e) Applied medical anthropology
 - f) Communities, culture and climate change.

MANE-006: SOCIAL STRATIFICATION
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANE-006
Assignment Code: MANE-006/ASST/TMA/2024-2025
Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.

SECTION-A

1. Identify and discuss the various forms of inequality that exists in human societies. 20
2. Discuss pastoral communities and shifting cultivators in the context of social differentiation. 20
3. Discuss the three main types of authority. 20
4. Examine and discuss Durkheim's three forms of solidarities. 20
5. **Write short notes on any two of the following:** 10+10
 - a. Polygenesis versus Monogenesis
 - b. Tribalism and ethnicity
 - c. Talcott Parsons' theory of social action
 - d. The elite class

SECTION-B

6. Elucidate the conditions that led to the creation of stratification and marginalisation. 20
7. Evaluate the role of media in the construction of gender. 20
8. Examine Indian social mobility and social structure. 20
9. Discuss the negotiation of power in the domestic space as highlighted in Karin Kapadia's *Siva and her Sisters*. 20
10. **Write short notes on any two of the following:** 10+10
 - a. ICTs and Social Embeddedness
 - b. Caste based affirmative action
 - c. Social mobility due to education
 - d. Peers and socialisation

Tribes in India (MANE-007)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT
(TMA)

Course Code: MANE 007

Assignment Code: MANE 007/AST/TMA/July 2024- January 2025

Total Marks: 100

Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt five questions at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words.

SECTION- A

11. Define Tribe. Examine the concept of Tribe as per the Indian Constitution. 20
12. Who are the particularly vulnerable tribal groups in India? Discuss the problems faced by these groups. 20
13. Write a note on rules of kinship, family and marriage in a matrilineal society with suitable examples. 20
14. Examine the tribal beliefs and practices among the Gaddi and Toda communities. 20
15. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Indigenous populations
 - b. De-notified communities

SECTION-B

16. Reflect on the recommendations made by the Bhuria Committee of 1994 and the Bhuria Commission of 2002. 20
17. Write a note on the epistemology and the alternate modes of knowledge creation among tribes. 20
18. Critically examine the Naga Secessionist Movement. 20
19. Discuss the impact of industrialisation and globalisation on tribes. 20
20. Write short notes 10+10
 - a. Non-Government Organisations and Tribes
 - b. Pastoral Nomads