

**Post Graduate Diploma in Urban Planning and Development  
(PGDUPDL)**

**Assignments  
(July - 2024 & January - 2025 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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E-mail .....	Mobile Number .....
Course Code .....	Regional Centre (code) .....
Course Title .....	Study Centre (code) .....

3. Use A-4 size paper for your responses. Write the question number with each answer. Write on both sides with margin and tie all the pages carefully, course wise.
4. You should write in your own handwriting. Each question to be answered in around 600 words.
5. Last date for submitting the assignments for July 2024 Session is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 and for January 2025 Session is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025. However, you are advised to submit as soon as possible.
6. Submit the assignment responses to the Coordinator of the Study Centre and get acknowledgement.

## GUIDELINES

1. **Planning:** Read the assignments carefully. Go through the self learning material on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange them 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
3. **Make sure that your answer:**
  - a) is logical and coherent;
  - b) has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs;
  - c) is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation.
4. **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission. Write each answer neatly and underline the points you wish to emphasize.

**Please contact the following course coordinators for any academic help / clarification**

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**ASSIGNMENT – 1**  
**Introduction to Urban Development**

**Course Code: MEDS-41**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

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

1. Explain classical theories of urban development.
2. What is city region? Explain different types of city region.
3. Discuss various techniques of urban planning.
4. Discuss urban local bodies and municipal governance system in India.
5. Describe objectives, functions and significance of financial management.

**ASSIGNMENT – 2**  
**Issues and Challenges in Urban Planning and Development**

**Course Code: MEDS-42**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

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

1. What are different sources of urban energy? Explain sustainable urban energy planning.
2. Explain different challenges of urban law and order. Discuss urban revitalization measures to improve law and order.
3. Describe typology of urban informal settlement. Explain causes and formation of informal settlements.
4. Explain meaning and importance of urban heritage. What are challenges of urban heritage?
5. Define poverty. Discuss the causes and consequences of urban poverty.

**ASSIGNMENT – 3**  
**Dynamics of Urban Planning and Development**

**Course Code: MEDS-43**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

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

1. Discuss scope and significance of public administration. What are various challenges of public administration in urban development?
2. Explain the rent control reform at various levels.
3. Explain various sources of municipal revenue and expenditure.
4. Discuss disaster management strategy in the mountain and riverine regions.
5. Describe the urban development policy perspectives of China and Brazil.

**ASSIGNMENT – 4**  
**Monitoring and Evaluation of Projects and Programmes**

**Course Code: MEDS-44**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

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

1. Distinguish between project and programme. Explain different project appraisal techniques?
2. Explain need, objectives and significance of project planning.
3. What are different types of rating scale? Explain guidelines for construction of rating scale.
4. Describe postulates of measurement. Discuss various levels of measurement.
5. Explain different types of statistical test for the interpretation of data.

**ASSIGNMENT – 5**  
**Development: Issues and Perspectives**

**Course Code: MEDSE-46**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

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

1. What is political development? Explain different attributes of political development.
2. Explain vicious circle poverty. Discuss the causes and impact of poverty.
3. Population is a boon and bane of development? Explain the statement.
4. What is inclusive development? Describe the causes and measures of inclusive development.
5. Discuss the role of health in development. Describe various components of health care