

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

**Assignments
(July - 2018 & January - 2019 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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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 2018 Session is 31st March 2019 and for January 2019 Session is 30th September 2019. 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**Course Code: MEDS-41
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What do you mean by urbanization? Discuss the main challenges of urbanization.
2. Distinguish between evolution of urbanization in the North and the South.
3. Why are urban ecosystem and climate changes not fully integrated into traditional urban planning?
4. Discuss the main components of 74th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992.
5. What is urban management? What are the basic requirements of good urban management?

ASSIGNMENT - 2**Course Code: MEDS-42
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. Discuss the concept of affordable housing in urban areas.
2. What are the types and characteristics of urban waste? Discuss the recent governmental measures for solid waste management.
3. Define energy planning. Discuss the key principles of sustainable urban energy planning.
4. Discuss the major challenges of urban education with suitable examples.
5. What do you mean by heritage? How does tourism promote the value of urban heritage?

ASSIGNMENT – 3**Course Code: MEDS-43
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. Critically discuss urban development programmes initiated by the Government of India since independence.
2. What is bio-diversity? What are the steps required for conservation of bio-diversity?
3. Discuss the rent control reforms in India.
4. What do you mean by fiscal decentralization? Discuss the fiscal decentralization in India.
5. What is disaster management? Discuss the disaster management process in the coastal region.

ASSIGNMENT - 4**Course Code: MEDS-44
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What do you mean by project appraisal technique? Discuss different project appraisal techniques with suitable examples.
2. Discuss different types of monitoring and evaluation.
3. Explain different levels of measurement with suitable examples.
4. What do you mean by secondary data? Explain different sources for secondary data collection. What precautions have to be taken while using secondary data?
5. What do you mean by qualitative data? Discuss the focus group discussion method of qualitative data collection with its merits and demerits.

ASSIGNMENT – 5**Course Code: MEDSE-46
Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.**

1. What is development paradigm? Discuss human development as an important paradigm of development for developing countries.
2. What do you mean by poverty, inequality and unemployment? Critically discuss the interrelationship between them and measures to promote employment.
3. What is marginalization? Illustrate how control of marginalization is important for inclusive development.
4. What is infrastructure development? With suitable examples illustrate how infrastructure development is important for economic development.
5. Critically discuss important indicators of health and development with suitable examples.