

**Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies**  
**(MAWGS)**

ASSIGNMENTS  
4th Semester (Jan 2017)  
(July 2016-17 Academic Year)  
**Women's Studies Specialization**



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## MASTER'S DEGREE IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

ASSIGNMENTS for MWG-010 and MWG-011  
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Assignment No.	Receipt of Assignments by the Students	Submission of Assignments by the Students
MWG-010/AST/TMA-1	15 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017	15 <sup>th</sup> March, 2017
MWG-011/AST/TMA-2	15 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017	15 <sup>th</sup> March, 2017

As explained in your Programme Guide, you need to complete one assignment for each course of 8 credits. Last date of submission for all assignments is mentioned above. Please contact your Regional Center regarding any further updates regarding assignment submission. With proper planning you will be able to do them within the stipulated period.

Kindly note that examination forms for December 2017 Term End Examinations will only be accepted if you have submitted the assignments by the given deadline at your Regional Center/Study Center.

PLEASE ALSO READ CAREFULLY INFORMATION REGARDING ASSIGNMENTS AND STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM PROVIDED IN THE PROGRAMME GUIDE.

**Course Code** : MWG 010  
**Course Title** : Women and Political Process  
**Assignment No.** : MWG 010/AST/TMA-2017

Note : The assignment requires you to attempt any two essay type questions The recommended length for each answer is 1200 -1500 words.  
Maximum Marks: 100

Statement Regarding Plagiarism: Please write all answers in your own words. **Assignments with plagiarized material (copied directly from course books or any other external sources) will not be accepted.** Please read statement on Plagiarism provided in the Programme Guide.

Attempt any two of the following Long Answer questions (50 marks each)

1. Read Block 4 ,Unit 2 and Unit 3 , critically evaluate the relationship between women and electoral processes with suitable examples.
2. Analyse the question of gender and politics in the movie *Sarkar* (watch from youtube) by reading the Block 6,Unit 1, 2 and 3.
3. Analyse the women in conflict zones with the help of Block 5, Unit 3 and also with examples which you have read from Newspaper / magazines and other sources.

**Course Code : MWG 011**

**Course Title: Women in the Economy**

**Assignment No. : MWG 011/AST/TMA-2017**

**Maximum Marks: 100**

Note : Recommended word limit for answer to Q.NO.1 is 1200 -1500 words. For Q. No.2, word limit is 500 -600 words. Please do not exceed the word limit and answer precisely without repeating or giving unnecessary details.

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Q. No.1 Attempt any one of the following long answer questions **(50 marks)**

Why we have too few women leaders | Sheryl Sandberg

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=18uDutylDa4>

**Watch this video and**

- (i) Critique Sandberg's ideas regarding women leaders' upward mobility in their careers.
- (ii) Based on your understanding of units 1, 2 and 3 in block 1 and units 1, 2,3 and 4 of block 3, discuss the factors that inhibit women workers from moving up in their career.

**OR**

**Write an essay on “Gender implications of demonetization on women workers in India”**

(You may build on your arguments based on the understanding of units in block 6 of your study material.)

Q.No. 2 Attempt any five of the following short answer questions:

**Marks (10X5=50)**

- i. Define ‘work’? Explain the reasons of invisibility of women’s work.
- ii. How has neoliberalism affected women’s employment in various sectors?
- iii. What is understood by social protection? What is its relevance for women workers?
- iv. Critique women’s component in 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan.
- v. Explain the relationship of pull and push factors of migration on women workers.
- vi. Explain what is understood by feminization and servicization of women’s employment.