

**MGP**

**GANDHI AND PEACE STUDIES**  
(Modular Programme)

**Assignment 2017-2018**

**Master of Arts in Gandhi and Peace Studies (MAGPS)**

**Post Graduate Diploma in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGDGPS)**

**Post Graduate Certificate in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGCGPS)**



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Dear Learner,

As we explained in the Programme Guide for Master's Degree in Gandhi and Peace Studies (Modular Programme), you will have to do a Tutor Marked Assignment for each course in the Programme. This booklet contains the assignments of **Master of Arts in Gandhi and Peace Studies (MAGPS), Post Graduate Diploma in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGDGPS), Post Graduate Certificate in Gandhi and Peace Studies (PGCGPS)** courses of the modular programme of Gandhi and Peace Studies.

You need to submit all the assignments which form a part of your programme within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination for the programme you are registered. Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide.

It is important that you write the answers in your own words. Your answers should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

All assignments have to be **submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre**. Remember to obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it. If possible, keep a Xerox copy of the assignments with you.

The Study Centre will have to return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre will note down the marks awarded for each assignment and forward them to the Student Evaluation Division (SED) at IGNOU, New Delhi.

**Submission:**

You need to submit all the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule.

<b>Session</b>	<b>Last Date of Submission</b>	<b>To be Sent</b>
For July, 2017 Session	March 31, 2018	To the Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you
For January, 2018 Session	September 30, 2018	

**COURSE: GANDHI: THE MAN AND HIS TIMES (MGP-001)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-001  
Assignment Code: MGP-001/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION- I**

1. Explain Gandhi's thoughts on nationalism and internationalism. How does he reconcile the two?
2. Examine the moments and incidents in Gandhi's early life that shaped his character.
3. Describe the core features and significance of the following in about 250 words:
  - a) Johan Ruskin's influence on Gandhi.
  - b) Henry David Thoreau's influence on Gandhi
4. Discuss Gandhi's fight against racial discrimination and rights for Indian labour in South Africa.
5. Examine the Satyagraha struggles in Ahmedabad textile mills and Kheda bringing out their significance.

**SECTION- II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Khilafat Movement
  - b) Civil Disobedience movement
7.
  - a) Gandhi-Irwin Pact
  - b) Poona Pact
8.
  - a) Gandhi's vision of a non-violent social order
  - b) Quit India Movement
9.
  - a) Ideology and contribution of Gopalakrishna Gokhale
  - b) Role of Revolutionaries during the freedom struggle.
10.
  - a) V.D. Savarkar
  - b) Rabindranath Tagore

**COURSE: PHILOSOPHY OF GANDHI (MGP-002)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-002  
Assignment Code: MGP-002/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the basic doctrines of Christianity and how they influenced Gandhi.
2. Examine the influence of Western thinkers on Gandhi's philosophy.
3. Explain the efforts of Tulsidas to bring about harmony in society.
4. Briefly explain Gandhi's vision on Truth.
5. Examine Gandhian approach to conceptualising human nature.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's idea of non-violence
  - b) Gandhi's views on Hinduism
7.
  - a) Gandhi's idea of Civilisation
  - b) Gandhi's reformist programme.
8.
  - a) Gandhi's critique of Indian civilisation.
  - b) Sarvodaya
9.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of duty
  - b) Gandhi's concept of Swaraj
10.
  - a) Khadi to counter modern civilisation
  - b) Gandhi's economic philosophy

**COURSE: GANDHI'S SOCIAL THOUGHT (MGP-003)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-003**  
**Assignment Code: MGP-003/ASST/TMA/2017-18**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Examine Gandhi's views on social change in India.
2. Briefly explain Varnashram Dharma prevalent in India.
3. Examine the efforts made by Gandhi to achieve Hindu-Muslim unity.
4. Explain the role and contribution of Indian women to the freedom struggle.
5. Critically examine Gandhi's views on Depressed Classes.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Gandhi and the Partition of India
  - b) Gandhian critique of Indian social order
7.
  - a) Gandhi's views on labour
  - b) Gandhi's views on children's education
8.
  - a) Gandhi's critique of Modernity
  - b) Gandhi's concept of Truth
9.
  - a) Gandhism, Buddhism and Christianity
  - b) Gandhi's views on Vegetarianism
10.
  - a) Spiritual Basis of Environment
  - b) Gandhi's views on language

**COURSE: GANDHI'S POLITICAL THOUGHT (MGP-004)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-004  
Assignment Code: MGP-004/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Gandhi's prescription for social progress and transformation is contained in what he describes as constructive programme. Discuss.
2. Examine Gandhi's critique of industrialisation.
3. Explain Gandhi's views on the State and Swaraj.
4. Explain Gandhi's concept of individual autonomy.
5. Examine Gandhi's views on ends and means.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of economic, racial and caste equality
  - b) Role of authority in anarchist society
7.
  - a) Gandhi's non-violent struggle against colonialism
  - b) Gandhi's views on Liberalism and Constitutionalism
8.
  - a) Concept of Ultra-Nationalism
  - b) Meaning of Socialism and Communism
9.
  - a) Gandhi's views on structural violence
  - b) Satyagraha as a tool of conflict resolution
10.
  - a) Gandhi's concept and meaning of Pacifism
  - b) Gandhi's concept of World Order

**COURSE: INTRODUCTION TO PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION (MGP-005)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGP-005  
Assignment Code: MGP-005/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Critically examine the different conceptions of peace.
2. Explain the relationship between peace and democracy in the light of recent empirical studies.
3. Examine the meaning of culture of peace and describe institutional mechanisms of keeping peace.
4. Explain the concept of peace and the means of creating and sustaining peace.
5. Critically examine the global sources of contemporary conflicts.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Affirmative Action policy in India
  - b) Liberal and Marxist views on equality and inequality
7.
  - a) Specific sources of conflict
  - b) Western and Eastern perspectives on conflict and its resolution
8.
  - a) Coercion as a method of conflict resolution
  - b) Human Development and poverty eradication
9.
  - a) Importance of Lok Adalat in resolving conflicts
  - b) Gandhi and peace education in contemporary world
10.
  - a) Religious harmony and peace
  - b) Peace movements across nations

**COURSE: GANDHI'S ECONOMIC THOUGHT (MGPE-006)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-006  
Assignment Code: MGPE-006/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the main feature and strands in classical economic thought.
2. Explain Gandhi's basic critique of modern economics.
3. Explain Gandhi's experiences with colonialism in South Africa.
4. Explain the concept of Bread Labour.
5. Explain the Doctrine of Trusteeship propounded by Gandhi.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Indian sources that influenced Gandhi's thought on economics
  - b) Imperialism and Colonialism in India
7.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of Swadeshi in the contemporary world
  - b) Limitations of Wants as propounded by Gandhi
8.
  - a) Gandhi's ideas on Industrialisation
  - b) Sources of violence in economic order
9.
  - a) Gandhi's concept of Village Development
  - b) Economic ideas of J.K. Mehta
10.
  - a) Nature of decentralised economy in India
  - b) Rural indebtedness and credit markets in India

**COURSE: NON-VIOLENT MOVEMENTS AFTER GANDHI (MGPE-007)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-007  
Assignment Code: MGPE-007/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the achievements and shortfalls of social revolution in India.
2. Briefly examine the role of leadership in peace movements in India.
3. Explain the basis and ideology propounded by Acharya Vinoba Bhave.
4. Discuss the different ecological issues that are affecting mankind today.
5. Explain the significance of Jaiprakash Narayan's Total Revolution.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Civil Rights movements in the United States
  - b) Non-violent movement of Gandhi
7.
  - a) Gandhi on prohibition
  - b) Democracy and Social Revolution
8.
  - a) Gandhi and farmers' movement
  - b) Eco-feminism in India
9.
  - a) National Water Conservation Policy in India
  - b) Green Peace movement in the 21<sup>st</sup> century
10.
  - a) Anti-apartheid movement in South Africa
  - b) Solidarity Movement in Poland

**COURSE: GANDHIAN APPROACH TO PEACE AND CONFLICT  
RESOLUTION (MGPE-008)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-008  
Assignment Code: MGPE-008/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION- I**

1. Examine the importance of tolerance in the making of a harmonious society.
2. Discuss the role of state and civil society as instruments of peace.
3. Write a short note on the following in your own words:
  - a) Gandhi's vision of community peace
  - b) Main features of feminist approach to peace
4. Discuss some of the major theoretical approaches with regard to conflict inherent in human beings.
5. Examine the main features of the Western approach to conflict resolution.

**SECTION- II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Western approaches to negotiation and mediation
  - b) Gandhian approach to conflict resolution
7.
  - a) The Chipko Movement
  - b) Fasting as a method of conflict resolution
8.
  - a) Ahmedabad Mill Strike (1918)
  - b) The Rowlett Satyagraha
9.
  - a) The idea of Shanti Sena and its role in conflict resolution
  - b) Gandhi's idea of fearlessness in the context of Noakhali
10.
  - a) North-East India and efforts towards peace
  - b) India's role in Sri Lankan ethnic conflict

**COURSE: GANDHI IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY (MGPE-009)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-009  
Assignment Code: MGPE-009/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Explain the concept and meaning of Globalisation.
2. Explain the nature of religious pluralism and secularism in India.
3. Define democracy and distinguish between different types of democracy.
4. Briefly explain the basic principles of Gram Swaraj and its relevance today.
5. Describe the distinguishing features of the modern state.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Global order and Gandhi
  - b) India and its cultural diversity
7.
  - a) Empowering women
  - b) Gandhian ways of social inclusion
8.
  - a) Gandhi's views on science and technology
  - b) Gandhi and the Media
9.
  - a) Gandhian method to counter terrorism
  - b) Cultural and religious roots of Human Rights
10.
  - a) Debate on the advanced capitalist state
  - b) Debate on lifestyle vs environment

**COURSE: CONFLICT MANAGEMENT, TRANSFORMATION AND  
PEACE BUILDING (MGPE-010)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-010  
Assignment Code: MGPE-010/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Examine the contemporary debates to eradicate conflicts.
2. Critically examine the sources of conflict.
3. Explain the following in about 250 words each:
  - a) Key clauses of Conflict Analysis
  - b) United Nations and Conflict Management
4. Discuss the various methods and modes of Conflict Management.
5. Give an account of the problem of violence in Nagaland.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Non-violent approach to conflict transformation
  - b) Structural violence
7.
  - a) Gandhi's Idea of Swaraj
  - b) The Champaran Satyagraha
8.
  - a) Main characteristic of peace building
  - b) Gandhian Satyagraha in South Africa
9.
  - a) Approaches to peace building
  - b) Post-conflict Re-construction and Re-habilitation
10.
  - a) India's role in Afghan reconstruction
  - b) Idea of Trusteeship as expounded by Gandhi

**COURSE: HUMAN SECURITY (MGPE-011)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-011  
Assignment Code: MGPE-011/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Trace the evolution and meaning of the concept of Human Security and bring out its significance for the welfare of the disadvantaged sections of society.
2. Discuss Dr. Mahabub-ul-Haq's contribution to the concept of human development and human security.
3. Explain the following in about 250 words each:
  - a) Gandhian vision of Human Security
  - b) Gender, Development and Human Security
4. Examine the various features of rural unorganised labour. Suggest some measures that can improve its lot.
5. Discuss the marginalisation of women in India. Identify the measures for their empowerment.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Concept of Non-State violence
  - b) State-violence in South Asia
7.
  - a) Relationship between Development and Global Warming
  - b) Food Security and Global concerns
8.
  - a) Approach to Peace and International Cooperation
  - b) New Global Order
9.
  - a) Human Security and Development
  - b) Human Security in South Asia
10.
  - a) Human Security and Poverty Eradication
  - b) Human Security in India

**COURSE: WOMEN AND PEACE (MGPE-012)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-012  
Assignment Code: MGPE-012/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Critically examine the causes for violence against women in contemporary world.
2. Explain the relevance of Gandhian ideas for contemporary women's movements.
3. Examine the relevance women's perspective on peace building.
4. Briefly explain the various forms of structural violence existing across societies.
5. Discuss the diverse aspects of communalism and gender relations in India.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Types of violence against women
  - b) Identify the steps to prevent sexual harassment at work place
7.
  - a) Gandhian idea of development
  - b) Women and political participation in India
8.
  - a) United Nations and the empowerment of women
  - b) Green Belt Movement in Kenya
9.
  - a) Contributions of women groups and organisations to global peace
  - b) Women freedom fighters in India
10.
  - a) Peace initiative taken by India to promote peace
  - b) Gandhian alternatives for the promotion of peace

**COURSE: CIVIL SOCIETY, POLITICAL REGIMES AND CONFLICT (MGPE-013)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-013  
Assignment Code: MGPE-013/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss Hegel's notion of civil society.
2. Examine the role and relevance of civil society in South Asia.
3. Explain the evolution and types of peace movements in India.
4. Discuss various approaches to the study of Panchayati Raj Institutions.
5. Briefly explain the nature and scope of the concept of civil society.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Accountability of civil society organisations
  - b) Conception of the constructive programme
7.
  - a) Debates on advanced capitalist state
  - b) Changing relations among market, state and civil society
8.
  - a) Empowerment of women and capacity building
  - b) Relationship between state and civil society
9.
  - a) Role of NGOs for mobilising voluntary action
  - b) Gandhian civil society and globalisation
10.
  - a) Anti-Nuclear protest movements
  - b) Organisations working for global peace

**COURSE: GANDHI: ECOLOGY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (MGPE-014)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-014  
Assignment Code: MGPE-014/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Explain the relationship between economic growth, development and ecology.
2. Discuss various approaches to development and its relationship with environment.
3. Critically examine Gandhi's approach to development.
4. Explain community life in Gandhi's Ashram in South Africa and India.
5. Discuss the spiritual foundations of Gandhian conception of development.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Religious sources and environmental values
  - b) Gandhian concept of human kind
7.
  - a) Gandhian views on human ecology
  - b) Gandhian thoughts on environmental movements in India.
8.
  - a) Institutional dimensions of development
  - b) Philosophical Foundations of Sarvodaya.
9.
  - a) Significance of advocacy of Ashram life by Gandhi
  - b) Environmental education in India.
10.
  - a) Village self-sufficiency and self- reliance
  - b) Water harvesting in arid Rajasthan

**COURSE: INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS (MGPE-015)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-015  
Assignment Code: MGPE-015/ASST/TMA/2017-18  
Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Critically examine the debate between normative and empirical paradigms of research.
2. Discuss the Gandhian approach to social science research.
3. Explain the following in your own words:
  - a) Difference between Fundamental and Applied Research
  - b) Sources of data in social science research
4. Discuss the method of data collection in social science research.
5. Describe in detail the approaches to peace building in the pyramid model.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) The methods of selecting a research topic
  - b) Importance in social science research
7.
  - a) Different types of Data Collection
  - b) Various methods of data collection in ethnography
8.
  - a) Basic elements of Conflict Mapping
  - b) Features of narrative analysis
9.
  - a) Method of organising research findings
  - b) Sources of quantitative data
10.
  - a) Scientific presentation of data
  - b) Usefulness of Websites and Search engines in research

**COURSE: HUMAN RIGHTS: INDIAN PERSPECTIVE (MGPE-016)**  
**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**

**Course Code: MGPE-016**  
**Assignment Code: MGPE-016/ASST/TMA/2017-18**  
**Marks: 100**

**Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.**

**SECTION-I**

1. Discuss the theoretical bases of the concept of Human Rights in India.
2. Discuss the provisions and significance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
3. Write a short note on the following in about 250 words each:
  - a) Minority rights and the rights of indigenous people.
  - b) Types of Human Rights isolation
4. Discuss policies and rights of children in India.
5. Explain the rights of minorities and marginalised section in India.

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each part of the question in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) National Human Right Commission in India
  - b) National Commission for Women
7.
  - a) Western and Non-Western concept of human rights
  - b) Sustainable Development
8.
  - a) Satyagraha in South Africa
  - b) Gandhi's approach to Human Rights
9.
  - a) Economic and Educational Rights
  - b) Gandhian approach to social reforms
10.
  - a) Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles
  - b) Radical Feminism