

CIHL

**CERTIFICATE
IN
INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW**

**Tutor Marked Assignments
(January 2017 and July 2017 Sessions)**



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Dear Student.

As per laid down guidelines of the University, you have to complete one assignment for each course opted by you.

You will find that the questions in the assignments are analytical and descriptive so that you can better understand and comprehend the concepts.

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

Submission

You have to submit the assignments to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it with you. It is desirable to keep with you a photocopy of the assignments submitted by you.

Once evaluated, the Study Centre will return the assignments to you. Please insist on this. The Study Centre will send the marks to the SED at IGNOU, New Delhi.

You need to submit the assignments at your study centers as under:

For January Session- By 30th March, 2017

For July Session- By 30th September, 2017

Guidelines for Doing Assignments

We expect you to answer each question as per instructions in the assignment. You will find it useful to keep the following points in mind:

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignment carefully, go through the Units on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange them in a logical order.
- 2) **Organisation:** Be a little selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. Give adequate attention to question's introduction and conclusion.

Make sure that:

- a) The answer is logical and coherent.
 - b) It has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs.
 - c) The presentation is correct in your own expression and style.
- 3) **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission. **It is mandatory to write all assignments neatly in your own handwriting.** If you so desire, you may underline the points you wish to emphasize. Make sure that the answer is within the stipulated word limit.

Wishing you all the best.

Programme Coordinator (CIHL)

BLE-035: UNDERSTANDING IHL

Course Code: BLE-035
Assignment Code: BLE-035/ TMA/ 2017
Total Marks: 100

Part-A

Attempt any two of the following questions in about 600 words, each question carries 20 marks.

1. Define International Law. Discuss the main sources of International Law.
2. Explain the concept of the International Armed. Conflict. Critically Analyse the Human Rights issues involve in an International Armed Conflict.
3. Discuss the essential rule of Internal Humanitarian Law..
4. Discuss the Rules of Protection of the sick, wounded, and shipwrecked during war.

Part-B

Attempt *any four* of the following questions in about 300 words. Each question carries 10 marks.

5. Evaluate the Role of Law in the Society.
6. Does the application of international Humanitarian Law depend on a formal declaration of war? Discuss.
7. Explain the concept of Just War.
8. Define Non-International Armed Conflict. Discuss the reasons for the reluctance of States to apply International Humanitarian Law internal armed conflict.
9. Explain with examples the Rule of Distinction.
10. Discuss the relationship between International Humanitarian Law and Refugee Law.

Part-C

Write short notes on any 4 of the following in about 150 words. Each question carries 5 marks.

11. Principle of Inviolability.
12. IHL and International Criminal Law.
13. Combatants and Non-combatants.
14. Spies.
15. Principle of Nutrality.
16. Principle of Security.

BLE 036 : APPLICATION OF IHL

Course Code: BLE-036
Assignment Code: BLE-036/ TMA/ 2017
Total Marks: 100

Part-A

Attempt any two of the following questions in about 600 words, each question carries 15 marks.

1. Critically evaluate the role of United Nations in the Application of International Humanitarian Law.
2. Discuss the main features of the Geneva Conventions Act, 1960.
3. What are Ad hoc Criminal Tribunals? Examine their role in the Development of IHL principles.
4. Examine the Role of Red Cross and Red Crescent societies during armed conflict.

Part-B

Answer *any four* of the following questions in about 300 words. Each question carries 10 marks.

5. Discuss the role of International Court of Justice in the application of International Humanitarian Law.
6. Discuss the role of the Academic Institutions in dissemination of International Humanitarian Law.
7. Discuss the role of UN Peace-keeping Forces in maintaining international peace and security.
8. Discuss the role of Internal Non-Governmental Organisations in providing Humanitarian assistance in armed conflicts.
9. Briefly describe the situations in armed conflict in which the International Committee of Red Cross can take action.
10. Discuss the scope of common Article 3 of the Geneva Conventions, 1949.

Part-C

Write short notes on any 4 of the following in about 150 words. Each question carries 5 marks.

11. Constitution of India and IHL.

12. International Criminal Court.
13. The Guardian Angel functions of ICRC.
14. Military Code of Conduct.
15. Military rules for Prisoners of War.
16. International Fact-finding Commission.

BLE 037: IHL ISSUES OF CONCERN IN SOUTH ASIA

Course Code: BLE-037
Assignment Code: BLE-037/ TMA/ 2017
Total Marks: 100

Part-A

Attempt any two of the following questions in about 600 words, each question carries 20 marks.

1. Discuss in brief the rules of IHL as found in various religious traditions in South Asia.
Do you agree with the view that IHL principles are mainly Eurocentric?
2. Discuss the IHL issues involved in the major conflicts of Srilanka.
3. Analyse the problem of Child Soldier in South Asia. Discuss the efforts made by the United Nations to deal with the problem of Child Soldiers.
4. What is the status of IHL treaties in South Asia? Critically evaluate the reasons put forward by South Asian countries for the non-ratification of optional Protocol II of 1977.

Part-B

Attempt *any four* of the following questions in about 300 words. Each question carries 10 marks.

5. Point out the distinction between Refugee and Internally Displaced Person.
6. Discuss the challenges faced by ICRC in implementation of IHL Convention in the armed conflicts in Afghanistan.
7. Discuss the impact of armed conflict on women in South Asia.
8. Discuss the significance of training of military personnel in International Humanitarian Law specially in the context of South Asia..
9. Discuss the impact of armed conflicts in South Asia on Minorities.
10. Discuss the role of military law advisors in the application of International Humanitarian Law.

Part-C

Write short notes in about 50 words on the followings, each question carries 2 marks.

11. Implementation of Geneva Conventions in India.
12. Internally displaced persons and IHL.

13. Customary IHL.
14. Role of students in promoting the principles of IHL.
15. Protection of Emblem
16. Role of India in Drafting the Genocide Conventions, 1948.

BELP-038: PROJECT

Write a project in about 2000 words on any one of the following topics.

1. Status of Combatant and non combatant in armed conflict.
2. Application of the rules of Proportionality and Distinction in armed conflict.
3. Role of UN Security Council in upholding IHL Principles during Non-international Armed Conflicts during last Decade
4. Problem of Child soldiers in South Asia.
5. Protection of Refugees in armed conflicts in South Asia.