

MAAN

**Master's in Anthropology
First Year Courses (Compulsory)**

**Assignments
July 2018 and January 2019 sessions**

First Year

MANI 001: Anthropology and Methods of Research

MANI 002: Physical Anthropology

MAN 001 :Social Anthropology

MAN 002: Archaeological Anthropology

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Dear Student

You must have gone through the Programme Guide for the Master's in Anthropology (MAAN) and noted that assignment for each course is compulsory. Each assignment has been prepared covering the entire course.

It will benefit you to write the answers in your own words as it gives more clarity. Another point which you should remember while answering is the word limit, it should be maintained. There are different types of questions in the assignment, long answers (20 marks) and short answers (10 marks). The questions have been designed so that you are able to answer methodically and comprehensibly. It is advisable to consult your Academic Counselors in the Study Centres before starting these assignments to clear any doubt or even if you wish to discuss your answers.

The Assignments are required to be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. Always keep the photocopy of the assignment submitted. Take an acknowledgement receipt for the assignment submitted and retain it.

The assignments would be returned back to you after evaluation. The Study Centre sends the marks to Students Evaluation Division at IGNOU and these marks would be entered to your grade card.

Guidelines for doing Assignments

It is worth keeping in mind the following points while attempting the Assignments:

Planning: Go through the assignments very carefully. Read the units on which they are based. Note important points regarding each question and then rearrange it in a logical order.

Organization: Be cautious, selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. In long answers, give adequate consideration to the introduction and conclusion. Introduction should have a brief understanding of the question and then how you intend to develop it. The conclusion should summarize the answer to your question. The answers should be sound, clear, within word limit and express your understanding of the subject.

Presentation: Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission; write each answer neatly and highlight/ underline the points you wish to emphasize.

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Submission of Assignment

Before you take your Term End Examinations, it is compulsory to submit the assignment on the schedule mentioned. It is therefore advisable to follow the rules. A total of four assignments are required to be submitted in the first year. Attempt one assignment at a time. Plan in such a way that you complete the assignment of the course you have read. Submit the assignment at your study centre and get back the assignment with marks and comments of the Counselor, it will give idea of the preparation of that particular course. There is enough time, just plan to complete all the assignment on time. Proper planning and judicious execution is required to complete the work before last date.

Last Date of Submission of Assignment

For students admitted in July 2018 Batch March 31, 2019

For students admitted in January 2019 Batch September 30, 2019

The Assignment should be submitted to

The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you

**ANTHROPOLOGY AND METHODS OF RESEARCH (MANI –001)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT
(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANI –001
Assignment Code: MANI –001/ASST/TMA/2018-19
Total Marks: 100**

Note: There are two sections ‘A’ and ‘B’. Attempt any five questions, at least two from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION-A

1. Define anthropology? Discuss the major branches of anthropology. 20
2. Discuss anthropological fieldwork tradition and its important characteristics. 20
3. Describe in detail about the participant observation with suitable example. 20
4. Discuss pedigree analysis in detail. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following. 10+10
 - a) Excavation
 - b) Research design
 - c) anthropometry

SECTION-B

6. Discuss briefly various tools and techniques in anthropology.20
7. Define ethnography and its main characteristics. 20
8. Describe about survey of literature and research problem. 20
9. Briefly explain the steps of preparation of research synopsis. 20
10. Write shorts notes on any two of the following. 10+10
 - a) Method and methodology
 - b) Carbon dating
 - c) Applications of genealogical method

**Masters in Anthropology
Physical Anthropology (MANI 002)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT
(TMA)**

**Course Code: MANI –002
Assignment Code: MANI –002/AST/TMA/2018-19
Total Marks: 100**

Note: There are two sections ‘A’ and ‘B’. Attempt any five questions, at least two from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and that of 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. Define Physical Anthropology. Briefly discuss its branches. 20
2. Discuss the social organisation in primates. 20
3. Distinguish the major physical features between Caucasoid and Australoid. 20
4. Discuss in brief the environmental factors affecting growth. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Effects of nutritional stress
 - b) DNA and Recombinant Technology
 - c) Basis of Racial Classification

SECTION B

6. What do you understand by “physique”. Discuss in brief methods of assessing it. 20
7. Discuss the Synthetic Theory of evolution. 20
8. What do you understand Bergmann’s and Allen’s Rules. 20
9. Discuss the current trends in physical anthropology. 20
- 10 Distinguish between any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Lamarckism and Darwinism
 - b) MAN and Apes
 - c) Undernutrition and Overnutrition

Social Anthropology (MAN-001)

TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT (TMA)

Course Code: MAN 001

Assignment Code: MAN 001/AST/TMA/2018-19

Total Marks: 100

Note: There are two sections 'A' and 'B'. Attempt five questions and at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION- A

1. Discuss the intellectual foundations for the emergence of a science of society. Discuss the history and growth of social anthropology as a subject. 10+10
2. Define society and culture. Discuss the relationship between society and culture. 20
3. Critically examine the classical theories and discuss their criticisms. 20
4. Discuss functionalism with reference to Malinowski's work. 20
5. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Structural- functional approach
 - b. Neo-functionalism

SECTION-B

6. Describe the meaning and definitions of family. Critically examine the variations and dimensions of family with reference to kinship and marriage in Post-modern world. 10+10
7. Write a critical essay of descent theory. Discuss various types of descent groups. 10+10
8. What is shamanism? Describe the various types of shamans. 20
9. Discuss hunting- gathering and pastoralism with suitable example. 20
10. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Polyandry and Polygynandry
 - b. Sacred and profane

ARCHAEOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY (MAN-002)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT
(TMA)

Course Code: MAN 002

Assignment Code: MAN 002/AST/TMA/2018-19

Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt any five questions. Choose at least two questions from each section. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks is 500 words and for 10 marks is 250 words.

SECTION A

1. Define Archaeological Anthropology? Briefly comment on its main divisions. 20
2. Discuss the tool types and techniques of Lower Palaeolithic culture. 20
3. What is Dating Method? Discuss briefly various methods of relative dating. 20
4. What is Chalcolithic culture? Examine briefly any two cultures of Chalcolithic culture. 20
5. Write short note on any two of the following. 10×2=20
 - a. Relationship of archaeological anthropology with social sciences
 - b. Radiocarbon dating
 - c. Blade tool
 - d. Pleistocene epoch

SECTION B

6. What is Neolithic culture? Why is it called revolution? Discuss. 20
7. Discuss the characteristics of Harappan civilization with suitable examples from India. 20
8. Discuss the salient features of Indian Iron age with suitable examples. 20
9. What is Public Archaeology? Discuss the role of public archaeology in heritage management. 20
10. Write short note on any two of the following. 10×2=20
 - a. Museum
 - b. Megaliths
 - c. Home art
 - d. Environmental archaeology