

EHI-04

**Bachelor's Degree Programme
(BDP)**

ASSIGNMENTS

For July 2020 and January 2021 Sessions

**Course Code: EHI-04
India: From 16th to Mid-18th Century**



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Assignment 2020-2021

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Dear Student,

As explained in the Programme Guide for BDP, you will have to do 1 Tutor Marked (TMA) assignment for this elective course.

Before attempting the assignment, please read the instructions provided in the Programme Guide.

Assignment Nos.	Date of Submission	Where to send
Assignment (TMA) For July 2020 Session Students	31st March 2021	The Coordinator of your Study Centre
Assignment (TMA) For January 2021 Session Students	30th September 2021	The Coordinator of your Study Centre

Now read the following guidelines carefully before answering the questions:

GUIDELINES FOR WRITING THE ASSIGNMENT

In writing the assignment keep the following things in mind: Social Science/History writing of any kind involves (a) Planning (b) Selection (c) Presentation and (d) Interpretation.

a) Planning : Think out what you are asked carefully. Go through the units and in case you want any additional material, try to locate it in the Library.

See whether the question is of (i) 500 words, (ii) 250 words, or (iii) 100 words. For the first and second it may be necessary to write a description with a comment. For the third YOU have to pick out the necessary facts and arrange them precisely.

b) Selection : This means picking out from your material the matter important for answering your question:

For this:

- i) Take notes of the relevant material.
- ii) Look them over carefully. Delete information not directly relevant to the question.
- iii) Prepare a first draft. This will help you in getting a clear idea of what information you want to put down and what you want to leave out. This will also help in giving your plan a practical shape.

C) Presentation : Prepare now a second draft. This is important for putting down your ideas in a sharp and clear manner. With this you will get an idea as to how you will be able to state what you want to say within the word limits.

Prepare a third or a final draft to check out whether you have put down all you wanted to say. Read to check whether your answer is within the word limits.

D) Interpretation: Interpretation is a constant process in history writing. It is already reflected in your planning and selection. Explanatory comments with phrases like may be, because, could be, etc., immediately introduce an element of interpretation in writing itself. Here you have to be careful that these comments can be supported by the material you have in the answer.

Note : In case you run short of time you should

- i) prepare a rough draft, check that you haven't left anything out, and
- ii) go on to write the final draft.

Now we believe you are ready to answer the questions.

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Total Marks: 100

Note: All questions are compulsory. Marks are indicated against each question.

Section 1: Answer each question in about 500 words.

1. Critically examine Akbar's Rajput policy. 20

Or

Discuss briefly the evolution of *jagir* system under the Mughals.

2. Examine critically Mughal-Maratha relations. 20

Or

Give a brief account of the development of architecture under Akbar.

Section 2: Answer each question in about 250 words.

3. Write a note on Bairam Khan's regency. 12

Or

Critically examine Deccan policy of the Mughals.

4. Discuss the Turco-Mongol concept of sovereignty. 12

Or

What were the major commercial practices employed in the medieval period? Discuss.

5. What is agro-based production? List briefly some of the agro-based produce. 12

Or

Discuss briefly methods of land revenue assessment under the Mughals.

6. What were the main features of the Deccan school of painting? 12

Or

Discuss briefly the empire-centric approach for the decline of the Mughal empire.

Section 3: Answer in about 100 words each.

7. Write short notes on any **two** of the following: 6 + 6
- i) Growth of metallurgy under the Mughals
 - ii) French East India Company
 - iii) Population in Mughal India
 - iv) Local and regional trade during the medieval period