

MAAN

Master's in Anthropology First Year Courses (Compulsory)

**Assignments
July 2020 and January 2021 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 2020 Batch

March 31, 2021

For students admitted in January 2021 Batch

September 30, 2021

The Assignment should be submitted to

The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you

MANI-001: ANTHROPOLOGY AND METHODS OF RESEARCH

Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)

Course Code: MANI-001

Assignment Code: MANI-001/ASST/TMA/2020-2021

Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt a total of five questions. All questions carry equal marks. The word limit for 20 marks question is 500 words and for 10 marks question it is 250 words. Attempt at least two questions from each section.

SECTION A

1. Define anthropology? Briefly discuss the main branches of anthropology. 20
2. What is fieldwork? Describe types of data gathering techniques in Anthropology. 20
3. Define and distinguish genealogy and pedigree? 20
4. Discuss the steps to conduct a literature review. 20
5. Attempt any two of the following: 10+10
 - a. Anthropometry
 - b. Participant observation
 - c. Secondary Data
 - d. Archeological Methods

SECTION B

6. Discuss the history and development of archaeological anthropology. 20
7. Briefly discuss the emerging fields in anthropology. 20
8. Describe the types of research design. 20
9. Attempt any two of the following: 10+10
 - a. Ethnography
 - b. Research ethics
 - c. Serogenetics
 - d. Scientific method

MANI-002: PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY (MANI –002)

TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT (TMA)

Course Code: MANI 002

Assignment Code: MANI 002/AST/TMA/2020-21

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 historical background. 20
2. Discuss the social organisation in primates. 20
3. Briefly discuss morphological criteria for Racial Classification. 20
4. Discuss the environmental factors affecting growth. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Stages of growth
 - b) Applications of physical anthropology
 - c) Allen and Bergman’s rule

SECTION B

6. Describe in brief Synthetic Theory of evolution. 20
7. Discuss the Principles of Palaeoanthropology. 20
8. Briefly discuss the branches physical anthropology. 20
9. What are the physiological responses to high altitude? Discuss. 20
10. Distinguish between any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Longitudinal method and Mixed longitudinal method
 - b) Overnutrition and Undernutrition
 - c) Neo-Lamarckism and Neo-Darwinism

MAN-001: SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT (TMA)

Course Code: MAN 001

Assignment Code: MAN 001/AST/TMA/2020-21

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 history and growth of social anthropology as a subject. Describe the scope of social anthropology 20
2. "Culture is the man-made part of the environment". Discuss this statement with suitable examples to show the relation between society, culture and environment. 20
3. Discuss the thesis of Neo-Functionalism. 20
4. Discuss anthropological approach to the study culture and personality with reference to Margaret Mead and Ruth Benedict's work. 20
5. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. Sanskritisation
 - b. Post Modernism

SECTION-B

6. Describe marriage. Discuss the different types of marriages prevalent in different societies. 20
7. What is the genealogical method? Using the method trace your genealogy upto your maternal grandmother. 20
8. Discuss the concept of reciprocity in non-market economies with suitable examples. 20
9. Discuss the concept of rituals with reference to Victor Turner and van Gennep's work. 20
10. Write short notes: 10+10
 - a. *Rites de Passage*
 - b. Shifting cultivation

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

Course Code: MAN- 002

Assignment Code: MAN- 002/AST/TMA/2020-21

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. Discuss briefly the main divisions of Archaeology. 20
2. What are the different basic tool making techniques? Describe in brief with suitable diagrams. 20
3. What is Palaeolithic art? Discuss cave art with suitable examples. 20
4. Discuss briefly various methods of absolute dating in archaeological studies. 20
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Blade tool
 - b) Narmada Man
 - c) Robert Bruce Foote
 - d) Importance of Archaeology in Social Sciences

SECTION B

6. Briefly comment on the Lower Palaeolithic culture in India 20
7. What is civilization? Discuss various characteristic features of civilization with reference to Harappan culture. 20
8. What is Public Archaeology? Discuss the role of public archaeology in heritage management. 20
9. Megalithic is a living tradition among many Indian tribes. Elaborate your answer with examples from South India. 20
10. Write short notes on any two of the following: 10+10
 - a) Museum
 - b) Neolithic culture
 - c) Kayatha culture
 - d) Applied Archaeology