

**Post Graduate Certificate in Extension and Development Studies
(PGCEDS) ASSIGNMENTS (001 To 003)**

**Post Graduate Diploma in Extension and Development Studies
(PGDEDS) ASSIGNMENTS (001 To 006)**

**Master of Arts in Extension and Development Studies
(MAEDS) ASSIGNMENTS (001 To 015)**

(January and July Sessions, 2015)



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Dear Learner,

You will have to do one assignment for each course. Each assignment carries 100 marks. Irrespective of the year of registration you need to submit the latest assignments uploaded on the website.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Read the detailed instructions about assignments given in the Programme Guide.
- 2) The top of the first page of your response sheet should look like this:

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- 4) Use A-4 size paper for your responses, write on both sides with margin and tie all the pages carefully.
- 5) Write the question number with each answer.
- 6) **You should write in your own handwriting.**
- 7) **Last date for submitting the assignments for January Session is 15th March and for July Session is 15th September.**

GUIDELINES

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignments carefully. Go through the reading material / books on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange these in a logical order.
- 2) **Organization:** Be a little more selective and analytical. Give attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must offer your brief interpretation of the question and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your response to the question
Make sure that your answer:
 - a) is logical and coherent;
 - b) has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs;
 - c) is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation;
- 3) **Presentations:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission, writing each answer neatly and underline the points you wish to emphasize.

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ASSIGNMENT - 1

Course Code: MEDS-001
Assignment No : 001 (MEDS 001)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. What are the Global Challenges in the Extension system? How can it overcome?
2. What do you mean by learning situation? Illustrate in detail, how you can promote learning situation?
3. Democracy is the core of political development-Illustrate.
4. Critically discuss Ricardian and Malthus theory of development.
5. Distinguish between Marxian and Structuralist approaches of dependency

ASSIGNMENT - 2

Course Code: MEDS-002
Assignment No : 002 (MEDS 002)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. What is social and cultural change? Explain characteristics of change?
2. What do you understand by sectoral extension? Explain extension in rural development sector?
3. Explain the role of multilateral and bilateral international agencies in development?
4. What do you understand by disparity! What are the types if disparity! Explain measures to overcome disparity?
5. What is marginalization? Describe the various marginalized groups in society?

ASSIGNMENT -3

Course Code: MEDS-003
Assignment No: 003 (MEDS 003)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. What do you understand by the vicious circle of poverty? What are the regional dimensions of poverty in India?
2. What are the main features of India's agricultural development? What are the major causes of agricultural stagnation?
3. Explain the problems and challenges of health and sanitation development, and what are the important causes of poor rural health and sanitation?
4. What do you understand by Sustainable Development? Explain the concept and relevance of Sustainable Development. Write few good practices for sustainable development?
5. Explain the significance of Local Self Governance. Discuss the advantages of Local Self Governance?

ASSIGNMENT -5

Course Code: MEDS-005
Assignment No : 005 (MEDS 005)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each. Answer each question in about 600 words

1. What do you mean by participatory development? Enumerate the benefits of participatory development. Write the differences between RRA and PRA
2. Explain the commonly used terms in the project network diagram.
3. What are the basic differences between appraisal, monitoring and evaluation? Explain briefly different types of evaluation.
4. Describe scientific management theories by F.W. Taylor and his followers.
5. What do you understand by Micro finance? How micro finance is important in poverty alleviation through Self Help Groups?

ASSIGNMENT -6

Course Code: MEDS-006
Assignment No: 006(MEDS 006)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. What do you understand by validity of a measuring instrument? What are the different types of validity? Discuss the approaches to validate a measuring instrument.
2. Write in detail about the main components of a research report.
3. What are the different methods of development research? Prepare a structured interview schedule of at least 20 questions for any development issue.
4. Discuss the importance of review of literature in a research report. What are the functions of a literature review?
5. Write in detail about the various measures of Central Tendency.

ASSIGNMENT - 8

Course Code: MEDS-008
Assignment No: 008(MEDS 008)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each. Answer each question in about 600 words

1. Discuss the key problems and critical factors in communication process
2. Discuss the role of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in development?
3. What are the key elements in diffusion process? Explain them briefly with suitable examples.
4. Describe the innovation - decision process model.
5. Why Consequences of innovations have not been studied adequately? Explain briefly direct and indirect consequences of innovations with examples.

ASSIGNMENT - 9

Course Code: MEDS-009
Assignment No.:009 (MEDS 009)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. What are the major development initiatives taken by government in Pre-independence India?
2. Discuss the importance of agriculture in economic development of India, and critically examine the National Agriculture Policy, 2000.
3. What are the factors responsible for rapid growth of service sector in India? Discuss how service sector is growing rapidly under free market regime.
4. What are the main problems of agricultural development in India? Can agricultural and rural development check rural out migration?
5. Explain the major contribution of public sectors towards development in India. What are the bottlenecks in the growth of public sectors?

ASSIGNMENT - 10

Course Code: MEDS-010
Assignment No : 010 (MEDS 010)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. Do you think guide sheet and stake holders responsibilities are essential for good training?-Illustrate.
2. What is training policy? Discuss why training is important for an institutional development.
3. What do you mean by e-Training? What are the benefits and constraints of e-Training?
4. What do you mean by Training methods? Discuss factor determining selection of training methods.
5. Discuss the process of impact assessment of training. What are the benefits of impact assessment of training?

ASSIGNMENT - 11

Course Code: MEDS-011
Assignment No.: 011 (MEDS 011)
Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all questions. All questions carry 20 marks each.

1. Describe the importance of 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act?
2. What are the problems faced by the Scheduled Caste leaders of marginalized section in Rural Local Bodies?
3. What do you understand by the Public Private Partnership model of development? Enumerate the types of Public Private Partnership models available in our country?
4. What do you understand by PESA? What are the mandatory powers of Gram Sabha or Panchayats in PESA Act 1996?
5. Discuss the history and growth of Panchayat in Kerala.

ASSIGNMENT 15

Course Code: MEDSE-015
Assignment No: 015 (MEDSE 015)
Maximum Marks: 100

Attempt any five Questions. All carries equal marks (20 each)

1. What are major types of data sources in India? Explain the data sources pertaining to population and family health care?
2. What are the major functions and challenges of primary health care?
3. Describe any two national health programmes for control of non communicable diseases with its status, prevalence and strategies in India.
4. How do the national health policies help to improve the health status of any country. Substantiate your answer with the help of Indian national health policies-1983 and 2002.
5. Explain the meaning and benefits of Behavioural Change Communication. Describe major steps to accomplish the desired objectives.
6. What do mean by civil society? Explain the role of civil society in primary health care.
7. Discuss the status of elderly people in India. What are the major challenges faced by them?
8. (a) Define infant mortality? What are the factors influencing infant mortality.
(b) What are the main causes of low birth weight?