ESO-14

Bachelor Degree Programme (BDP)

Assignment for student admitted in July 2014 and January 2015 session

Elective Course in Sociology (ESO-14) (Society and Stratification)

School of Social Sciences
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Maidan Garhi, New Delhi-110 068

Course Code: ESO-14
Assignment Code: ESO-14/AST/2014-15

ASSIGNMENT

Dear Student,

You will have to complete one assignment for an eight-credit elective course in Sociology. This is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA).

It is important that you write answer to all TMA questions in your own words. Your answer should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, the constant practice while writing answers to assignment questions help you to write better answers to questions in term-end examination.

The TMA is designed to enable you to write answers to different categories of questions. The Assignment is divided into three sections. Section 1 comprises 2 descriptive questions of 20 marks each. Descriptive Category Questions are meant for writing essay type answers, with an introduction and a conclusion. Here, the evaluators have been asked to judge your ability to describe that you know about the topic and a systematic, to-the-point and coherent manner.

Section 2 comprises 4 questions that of 12 marks each. Here you are requested to first analyse the topic in terms of arguments and explanations and then write the answers in a concise as well as precise manner. Here. The evaluator has been asked to judge your ability to distinguish, compare and contrast, or, present clear understanding of concepts and processes.

Section 3 comprises 2 questions of 6 marks each. These are meant to enhance your skill of recall in brief the relevant/precise information about persons, writing, events, exact definition to terms, or. clear understanding of concepts and processes.

The completed assignment should be sent to the Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you as per the schedule given below:

No. of Assignment	**Date of Submission**	**To be sent**
July 2014 Batch	31st March, 2015	**To** **The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you**
January 2015Batch	30th September, 2015	

You must **obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it**. If possible, keep a xerox copy of the assignments with you. The Study Centre will have to return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre has to send the marks to the SR&E Division at IGNOU, New Delhi.

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Maximum Marks: 100 | **Programme Code: BDP**
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Answer all the questions

Section – I

Answer the following in about 500 words each.

1. Discuss the concept of ethnicity. 20
2. Elaborate the relationship between the concepts of Gender Status and Power. 20

Section – II

Answer the following questions in about 250 words each.

3. Describe features of the caste system. 12
4. Describe what are the Other Backward Classes. 12
5. Outline the concept of middle class. 12
6. Discuss class and social mobility. 12

Section – III

Answer the following questions in about 100 words each.

7. Distinguish between Sanskritization and Westernization. 06
8. Distinguish between *Jati* and *Varna*. 06