

# **Master's Programme in Rural Development**

## **Assignments**

**(July 2024 /January 2025 Session)**

**MA(RD) – Second Year**



**Discipline of Rural Development  
School of Continuing Education  
Indira Gandhi National Open University  
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## **Master of Arts (Rural Development)**

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

**MRDE-201, MRDE-202, MRDE-203, MRDE-002,  
MRDE-003 & MRDE-004  
Schedule for July 2024 / January 2025**

#### **Schedule for Submission of Assignments**

Assignment Number	Last Date of Submission	Whom to Send
MRDE-201/AST/TMA-5/2024-2025	For July 2024 session 31st March, 2025  For January 2025 session 30th September, 2025	The coordinator of your Study Centre
MRDE-202/AST/TMA-6/2024-2025		
MRDE-203/AST/TMA-7/2024-2025		
MRDE-002/AST/TMA-8/2024-2025		
MRDE-003/AST/TMA-9/2024-2025		
MRDE-004/AST/TMA-10/2024-2025		

As explained in the Programme Guide for M.A.(RD) you will have to do one assignment in each course of 6 credits. Last date of submission for all the assignments is mentioned above but we advise you to do them one by one along with your study of particular course and submit them so that you may get back the marks and comments of the counselor with evaluated assignment. With a proper planning you will be able to do them within the stipulated period. Please do not wait for the last date to submit all the assignments.

**PLEASE ALSO READ CAREFULLY INFORMATION REGARDING ASSIGNMENTS FROM PROGRAMME GUIDE.**

## **Assignment-8**

### **Voluntary Action in Rural Development**

**Course Code: MRDE-002**  
**Course Title: Voluntary Action in Rural Development**  
**Assignment No.: MRDE-002/AST/TMA-8/2024-2025**  
**Maximum Marks: 100**

Note: The assignment has three sections. It contains questions, which require long, medium and short answers. A long answer should not exceed 1000 words. Medium answers should not exceed 500 words each. Short answers should not exceed 100 words each

#### **Long Answers Questions**

**Maximum Marks: 40**

##### **Attempt any One of the following**

1. Discuss the essential tenets of Voluntary Associations in a democratic society.
2. Discuss the Gandhian conception of voluntarism and rural reconstruction during freedom struggle.
3. Describe the basic features of funding by Indian State for giving financial assistance to Voluntary Organizations.

#### **Medium Answers Questions Maximum Marks: 15 each**

##### **Attempt any Two of the following:**

1. Explain the objectives and guiding principles of Global Donor Platform for Rural Development (GDPRD).
2. Describe the contribution of Tarun Bharti Sangh (TBS) to watershed development in rural area.
3. Discuss CBO-Approach in the context of Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (AKRSP).

#### **Short Answers Questions**

**Maximum Marks: 6 each**

##### **Attempt any Five of the following**

1. Barefoot College
2. Voluntary Action Cell
3. Main Characteristics of Unregistered VOs
4. NGO-Typology based on Tasks
5. Networking and Alliance Building among Voluntary Organisation
6. Limitations of Bureaucratic Administration
7. Weisbrod's Approach to Non-Profit Organizations
8. Meaning and Essence of Voluntarism