

**Post Graduate Diploma and Master of Arts in Corporate
Social Responsibility
(PGDCSR/MACSR)**

**Assignments
(July 2026 & January 2027 Sessions)**



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Dear Learner,

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

Instructions

The top of the first page of your response sheet should look like this:

Name:

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- Use A-4 size plain or ruled paper for your responses, write on both sides with margin and tie all the pages carefully course wise.
- Write the question number with each answer.
- You should write in your own handwriting and only handwritten assignments are accepted.
- Last date for submitting the assignments for July 2026 Session is 31st March 2027 and January 2027 Session is 30th September 2027.
- Please submit the assignments to: **Your Study Center/Regional Center**

Guidelines

1. **Planning:** Read the assignments carefully. Go through the self learning material on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange these in a logical order.
2. **Organization:** Be 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
3. **Make sure that your answer:** is around 600 - 800 words for each question; is logical, coherent and has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs; is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation;
4. **Presentations:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission, write each answer neatly and underline the points you wish to emphasize.

Please contact the Programme Coordinators for any academic help / clarification:

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ASSIGNMENT – 6

Development: Issues and Perspectives

Course Code: MEDSE - 046

Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the questions. Each question carries 20 marks

1. Define the concept of human development as articulated by the UNDP. Critically analyze the bidirectional relationship between economic growth and human development, highlighting how income expansion translates into enhanced human capabilities.
2. Delineate the various structural, economic, and spatial inequalities prevalent in developing economies. Examine the mechanisms through which high levels of inequality impede sustainable economic growth and social cohesion.
3. "Health is both an input to and an outcome of economic development." Elucidate this statement. Critically evaluate the systemic infrastructure, financing, and equity challenges plaguing the healthcare sector in India.
4. Assess the role of the manufacturing sector as an engine of economic growth and employment generation. Discuss the structural bottlenecks—such as regulatory compliance, logistical costs, and skill mismatches—that hinder India's manufacturing competitiveness.
5. Examine the historical and structural factors that perpetuate socio-economic marginalization in India. Suggest a comprehensive framework of institutional, policy, and affirmative action measures required to achieve genuinely inclusive development.

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