

**Masters Degree in Women's and Gender
Studies
(MAWGSR)**

Women's Studies Specialization

ASSIGNMENT

**(July 2026 to January 2027, Academic Sessions)
MWG-110**



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Assignment No.	Submission of Assignments by the Students
MWG-110/AST/TMA-2026-2027	Please check assignment submission deadlines on the IGNOU website or by contacting your Regional Centre.

As explained in your Programme Guide, you need to complete one assignment for each course of 8 credits. **Please check the IGNOU website regarding any assignment submission updates.** With proper planning you will be able to do them within the stipulated period.

Kindly note that examination forms for Term End Examinations will only be accepted if you have submitted the relevant assignments by the given deadline. Submit assignments as per instructions provided by your Regional Centre/ on the university website. Include your name, enrollment number, Programme Code, Course Code and email ID on each assignment. Assignments need to be handwritten and each assignment should be submitted as a separate single document. (Do not combine two assignments/ Do not submit responses for individual questions as separate documents.)

PLEASE ALSO READ CAREFULLY INFORMATION REGARDING ASSIGNMENTS AND STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM PROVIDED IN THE PROGRAMME GUIDE.

Note: It is requested to attempt the latest assignment/s uploaded in the website.

Course Code: MWG-110
Course Title: Women and Political Process
Assignment MWG-110/AST/TMA-2026-2027
Maximum Marks: 100

Note: The assignment requires you to attempt any two essay type questions. The recommended length for each answer is 1000 words.

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Statement Regarding Plagiarism: Please write all answers in your own words. Assignments with plagiarized material (copied directly from course books or any other external sources) will not be accepted. Please read statement on Plagiarism provided in the Programme Guide.

Attempt any two of the following Long Answer questions (50 marks each)

1. Discuss the voices of women and men in the history of partition. Explain how communities have tried to claim its identities through the body of women.
2. Define the concept of power. Discuss the interlinkages between empowerment, gender and development by providing suitable examples.
3. Evaluate the legal framework for women's representation in Panchayat and Municipal elections. What are the barriers women face while contesting elections at the local level? Support your arguments with suitable examples.