

MDI-6

**MasterofArts
MAin Migration and Diaspora**

ASSIGNMENT

(ForJanuary and July 2025 Sessions)

MDI 006: INDIAN DIASPORA: SOCIO-CULTURAL FACETS



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MDI 006:INDIAN DIASPORA: SOCIO-CULTURAL FACETS

Programme: MAMIDI

CourseCode:MDI-006/2025-26

Dear Student

You are required to do this assignment for the MA in Migration and Diaspora, Programme - Course titled: **Indian Diaspora: Socio-Cultural Facets**, Code MDI 006, which will be a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and will carry 100 marks.

Aims: This assignment is concerned mainly with assessing your application and your understanding of the course material. You are not to reproduce chunks of information from the course material but to use the skills of critical appreciation that you may have acquired during the course of study. This assignment aims to teach as well as to assess your performance.

Guidelines: You are required to attempt all questions in your own words and hand written Assignments should be submitted on time.

Instructions: Before attempting the questions please read the following instructions carefully.

As in day-to-day life, **planning** is important in attempting the assignment as well. Read the assignment carefully; go through the units on which the questions are based; jot down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. In the essay-type answer, pay attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell you how to interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic. Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission, writing each answer neatly and underlining the points you wish to emphasize. **You should submit the assignment in your own handwriting.**

Make sure that your answer:

- a) is logical
- b) is written in simple and correct English
- c) does not exceed the number of words indicated in your questions
- d) is written neatly and clearly.

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignment before you can take the Term End Examination. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignment with you and to take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignment.

1. Write your Enrolment Number, Name, Full Address and Date on the top right corner of the first page of your response sheet(s).
3. Write the Course Title, Assignment Number and the Name of the Study Centre you are attached to in the centre of the first page of your response sheet(s).

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

ENROLMENTNO:..... NAME:

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STUDY CENTRE:.....

DATE:.....

4. Use foolscap/A4 size paper for your response and tag all the pages carefully.
5. Write the relevant question number with each answer.

Last Date for Submission of Assignment:

For the December TEE: 30th September For

the June TEE: 31st March

Good Luck!

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Coverage: All Blocks

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TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT

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Maximum Marks : 100

Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Define the concept of ethnicity and sub-ethnicity and how it is related to Diaspora formation (20)
2. What do you understand Indian Diaspora and social exclusion? discuss with examples (20)
3. Multiculturalism is an accommodative philosophy. Explain with examples (20)
4. Write a note on caste system in the colonial diaspora?
Explain how it differs from the contemporary Indian Diaspora. (20)
5. Write a note on Mahatma Gandhi's role in diaspora to fight against British rule. (20)
6. Explain post-colonial diaspora writing with example of one author and his/her work (20)
7. Write answer on any two. Each carry equal mark 10x2= 20

(a) Indians in Silicon Valley

(b) Ravidasi religious institutions

(b) Ghadar Movement

(d) diasporic media