

EHI05

**Bachelor's Degree Programme
(BDP)**

ASSIGNMENTS

For July 2025 and January 2026 Sessions

**Course Code :EHI-05
India: From Mid 18th to Mid 19th Century**



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Assignment 2020-2021

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Dear Student,

As explained in the Programme Guide for BDP, you will have to do 1 Tutor Marked (TMA) assignment for this course.

Before attempting the assignments please read the instructions provided in the Programme Guide.

Assignment Nos.	Date of Submission	Where to send
Assignment -1 (TMA) for July 2013 Session Students	31st March 2026	The Coordinator of your Study Centre
Assignment -1 (TMA) for January 2014 Session Students	30th September 2026	The Coordinator of your Study Centre

Now read the following guidelines carefully before answering the questions:

GUIDELINES FOR WRITING THE ASSIGNMENT

In writing the assignment keep the following things in mind: Social Science/History writing of any kind involves (a) Planning (b) Selection (c) Presentation and (d) Interpretation.

a) Planning : Think out what you are asked carefully. Go through the units and in case you want any additional material, try to locate it in the Library.

See whether the question is of (i) 500 words, (ii) 250 words or (iii) 100 words. For the first and second it may be necessary to write a description with a comment. For the third YOU have to pick out the necessary facts and arrange them precisely.

b) Selection : This means picking out from your material the matter important for answering your question:

For this:

- i) Take notes of the relevant material.
- ii) Look them over carefully. Delete information not directly relevant to the question.

iii) Prepare a first draft. This will help you in getting a clear idea of what information you want to put down and what you want to leave out. This will also help in giving your plan a practical shape.

C) Presentation : Prepare now a second draft. This is important for putting down your ideas in a sharp and clear manner. With this you will get an idea as to how you will be able to state what you want to say within the word limits.

Prepare a third or a final draft to check out whether you have put down all you wanted to say. Read to check whether your answer is within the word limits.

D) Interpretation: Interpretation is a constant process in history writing. It is already reflected in your planning and selection. Explanatory comments with phrases like may be, because, could be, etc., immediately introduce an element of interpretation in writing itself. Here you have to be careful that these comments can be supported by the material you have in the answer.

Note : In case you run short of time you should

- i) prepare a rough draft, check that you haven't left anything out, and
- ii) go on to write the final draft.

Now we believe you are ready to answer the questions.

India From Mid 18th to Mid 19th Century

**Assignment
TMA**

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Total Marks:100

Note: All questions are compulsory.

DCQ: Answer any two questions in about 500 words each.

1. Discuss the main features of the ryotwari settlement. What was its impact on the peasantry? 20.
2. Discuss the different views of various historians on the Maratha state system. What was the role of fitna in this system? 20.
3. Highlight the main aspects of Mysore state formation. How was this different from Hyderabad? 20.
4. Was the 18th century a 'Dark Age'? Discuss with reference to the views of various historians. 20.

MCQ: Answer any four questions in about 300 words each.

5. What was the role of the utilitarians in shaping the British policy in the late 18th and early 19th centuries? 12.
6. What was the impact of the 1857 revolt? 12.
7. What were the main features of the mahalwari system? 12.
8. What were the main features of the Charter Act of 1833? 12.
9. Did the British succeed in establishing the rule of law in the 18th and 19th centuries? 12.
10. Were the Afghan wars able to fulfil the objectives of the British? 12.
11. Discuss the role of Raja Ram Mohun Roy in taking forward the social reforms in India. 12.
12. Comment on the Hindi-Urdu controversy. 12.

SCQ: Answer any two in about 100 words each. 6+6

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- (a) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- (b) Bengal Under Alivardi Khan
- (c) Permanent Settlement
- (d) Formation of the civil services under the British

