

**Certificate Programme in
Peace Studies and Conflict Management (CPSCM)**

Assignments

July 2025 and January 2026 Sessions

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Dear learner,

As explained in the Programme Guide, you will have to do a Tutor Marked Assignment for each course for the Certificate Programme. This booklet contains the assignments of three courses of **Certificate Programme in Peace Studies and Conflict Management (CPSCM)**.

You need to submit all the assignments within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide.

It is important that you write the answers in your own words. Your answers should be within the approximate range of the word-limit set for a particular section. Remember, writing answers to assignment questions will improve your writing skills and prepare you for the term-end examination.

All assignments, including these, have to be **submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre**. Remember to obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it. If possible, keep a Xerox copy of the assignments with you.

The Study Centre will have to return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre will note down the marks awarded for each assignment and forward them to the Student Evaluation Division (SED) at IGNOU, New Delhi.

Submission:

The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule

Last date of Submission	Whom to submit
For July 2025 Session April 30, 2026 for January 2026 Session September 30, 2026	The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you

INDIAN PERSPECTIVES ON PEACE AND CONFLICT (BGP-002)
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: BGP- 002
Assignment Code: BGP-
002/ Asst/TMA/2025-26
Marks: 100

Answer five questions in all, selecting at least two questions from each section. Each question is to be answered in about 500 words. Each question carries 20 marks.

SECTION- I

1. Critically examine the evolution of the idea of peace in the Indian tradition, from scriptural teachings to the contributions of saints.
2. Analyse the relationship between social structures such as caste and religion and the emergence of conflicts in India. How can these structures also contribute to peace-building?
3. Discuss the role of economic disparities and marginalisation in generating conflicts. Evaluate the Gandhian approach to addressing inequality in India.
4. Examine the various responses to conflict—confrontation, negotiation, mediation, and conciliation. Critically evaluate their effectiveness in resolving conflicts.
5. Analyse the nature, causes, and patterns of inter-state and intra-state conflicts in India and Asia. Discuss the role of global and regional factors in shaping these conflicts.

SECTION- II

Write a short note on each part of the following questions in about 250 words.

6.
 - a) Trace the evolution of peace movements in India and assess their impact on society.
 - b) Interrelationship between peace movements and other social movements.
7.
 - a) Role of family and community in promoting peace and harmony.
 - b) Changing nature of family and community structures in contemporary India.
8.
 - a) Rural-urban divide in India and its implications for conflict.
 - b) Concept of quality of life and its relevance for peace.
9.
 - a) Importance of access to natural resources in preventing conflicts.
 - b) Challenges of sustainable resource management in India.
10.
 - a) Role of the state and rule of law in conflict resolution.
 - b) Role of international organisations and NGOs in promoting peace.