

**COURSE: - GANDHI: ECOLOGY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (MGPE-014)  
TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT (TMA)**

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**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. Discuss at length the recent debates relating to ecology and development in India.
2. What are the shortcomings in our dominant ways of living? How can these be removed through the Gandhian approach to development?
3. Which is more critical for the development of a country? Geography or Institutions? Give arguments and illustrations in support of your answer.
4. “Proper rendering of ‘Unto this Lat’ would be Antodaya (uplift of the last) rather than Sarvodaya”. Comment.
5. How can an ashram serve the purpose of community living? How did Gandhi make his ashrams exemplary models of an ecologically friendly way of life?

**SECTION-II**

**Write a short note on each of the following questions in about 250 words:**

6.
  - a) Meaning and significance of deep ecology.
  - b) Water harvesting and traditional *Johads*.
7.
  - a) Contrasting paradigms of the industrial era world view with the newly emerging alternative world view tending towards the Gandhian world view.
  - b) Village self-sufficiency leads to national development. Comment.
8.
  - a) The Limits to Growth – a Report to the Club of Rome.
  - b) Gandhi on Panchayati Raj.
9.
  - a) Gandhi’s explanation of poverty, unemployment and economic distress of individuals through alienation.
  - b) Comment on: “Small and simple is beautiful.”
10.
  - a) Gandhi as a philosophical anarchist.
  - b) Green initiatives for effective environmental conservation.