

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (ONLINE) [MSWOL]

(MSWOL First Year)

Assignment: 2025-26

Course Titles

MSW-001 : Origin and Development of Social Work

MSW-002 : Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives

MSW-005 : Social Work Practicum and Supervision

MSW-003 : Basic Social Science Concepts

MSW-004 : Social Work and Social Development

MSW-006 : Social Work Research

MSWE-010 : Social Work in African Context

MSW-032 : Social Work and Criminal Justice

<p>Last Date of Uploading the Assignment in the LMS Portal July, 2025 Session – March 31, 2026</p>
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Note: Kindly write the assignments for the courses you have opted.

Dear Learner,

Welcome to the **Master of Social Work (Online) [MSWOL] Programme** at IGNOU. Your decision to pursue this programme reflects your commitment to contributing to social development and improving the lives of others.

To ensure a smooth and successful learning experience, please follow these key guidelines:

- Read the Programme Guide carefully before beginning your studies. It will clarify most of your academic and administrative queries.
- Upload your assignments for the opted courses on time on the LMS portal. Remember, assignments carry 30% weightage towards your final grade.
- In case of any query related to the programme, please write to mswolinfo@ignou.ac.in.
- Be in contact with your allotted Field Work Supervisor (FWS) for fieldwork supervision.
- Fill and submit the examination form within the due dates.

Important Notes on Assignments:

- Assignments are open-book exams and must be handwritten and **signed** before submission.
- Read the relevant study units carefully before attempting each question.
- Discuss with peers and academic counsellors, prepare a draft, revise it, and then write the final version.
- Start each answer on a new page, and structure your responses with a clear introduction, sub-headings, body, and conclusion.
- Leave a line between paragraphs for clarity.
- Write in **your own words** and avoid copying from books or external sources. Use IGNOU study materials as your primary reference.

Remember, assignment preparation is a crucial step towards your term-end examination. Take it seriously and approach it as an opportunity to deepen your understanding of the subject.

We wish you a rewarding and enriching learning journey.

Prof. Saumya & Dr. Binod
Programme Coordinators (MSWOL)

Social Work and Criminal Justice
ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-032

Total Marks: 100

Note: Answer any **five** of the following questions in about 300 words each:

1. Discuss meaning and types of 'Evidence'? Explain relevance of evidence in criminal justice system. 20
2. Explain Merton's Strain theory and modes of adaptation with the help of suitable examples in Indian context. 20
3. Evaluate role of 'Police' as an agency of criminal justice in India. 20
4. What do you mean by presumption of innocence? Critically evaluate the relevance of principle of presumption of innocence in criminal justice system. 20
5. What is the meaning of 'framing of charge'? Discuss importance of framing of charge in the criminal justice system. 20
6. Explain various stages involved in a criminal trial in detail. 20
7. Explain concept, meaning and philosophy of probation. Discuss historical evolution of probation in India. 20
8. Discuss various theories of punishment with suitable examples in Indian context. 20