

**CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME
ON
LIFE AND THOUGHT OF B.R. AMBEDKAR**

**Tutor Marked Assignments
(July 2026 and January 2027 Sessions)**

**BAB 101: B.R. Ambedkar: Thinker, His Time
BAB 102: B.R. Ambedkar: Society and Culture
BAB 103: Economic Thought of B.R. Ambedkar
BAB 104: State, Democracy and Nation Building**



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Dear Student,

As per laid down guidelines of the University, you have to complete one assignment for each course opted by you.

Each assignment has questions to be answered in about 500 words each. You will find that the questions in the assignments are analytical and descriptive so that you can better understand and comprehend the concepts.

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

Submission

You have to submit the assignments to the **Coordinator of Your Study Centre**. You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignment/s submitted and retain it with you. It is desirable to keep with you a photocopy of the assignment/s submitted by you.

Once evaluated, the Study Centre will return the assignments to you. Please insist on this. The Study Centre will send the marks to the SED at IGNOU, New Delhi.

You need to submit the assignments at your study centres as under:

For January Session- By 31st March

For July Session- By 30th September

Guidelines for Doing Assignments

We expect you to answer each question as per instructions in the assignments. You will find it useful to keep the following points in mind.

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignment carefully; go through the Units on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange them in a logical order.

- 2) **Organization:** Be a little selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer.

Make sure that:

- a) The answer is logical and coherent.
- b) It has clear connections between sentences and paraphrase.
- c) The presentation is correct in your own expression and style.

- 3) **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answer, you can write down the final version for submission. It is mandatory to write all assignments neatly in your own handwriting. If you so desire, you may underline the points you wish to emphasize. Make sure that the answer is within the stipulated word limit.

Wishing you all the best.

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BAB – 101: B.R. Ambedkar: Thinker, His Time

Programme Code: CLTA

Course Code: BAB 101

Marks: 100

Weightage - 30%

Note: Attempt any Five Questions. All Questions carry equal marks (20x5). Send your TMA to the Coordinator of your Study Centre.

1. Examine Ambedkar's early life and education.
2. Describe Ambedkar's life abroad.
3. Explain the life and teaching of Kabir and his influence on Ambedkar.
4. Elaborate the ideas of Jyotiba Phule as a critique of the caste-patriarchal system.
5. Give a brief introduction to the life of Karl Marx and the influence of Marx and Buddha's ideas on Ambedkar.
6. Explain the impact of John Dewey's on Ambedkar.
7. Describe the various democratic struggles by B.R. Ambedkar.
8. Explain the role of Ambedkar as chairman of drafting committee and as a law minister.