

MPA-018

M.A. (Public Administration)

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Assignments

(For M.A. 2nd Year Courses)

For July 2026 and January 2027 Session



Faculty of Public Administration

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M.A. 2nd Year (Public Administration)

Dear Student,

As a requirement of the Programme, you will have to do one Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) for each course.

Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions carefully provided in the Programme Guide. It is important that you answer the TMA 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.

You are to submit the assignments to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. You must obtain a receipt from the Study Centre for the assignments submitted and retain it with you. It is desirable to keep with you a photocopy of the assignments submitted by you.

Submission:

Assignment Number	Date of Submission	Whom to send
Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) of MPA-018	March 31, 2027 for July 2026 Session September 30, 2027 for January 2027 Session	To The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you

GUIDELINES FOR DOING ASSIGNMENTS

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

- 1) **Planning:** Read the assignments 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) **Organisation:** Be a little selective and analytical before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. Give adequate attention to question's introduction and conclusion.

Make sure that:

- a) The answer is logical and coherent
 - b) It has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs
 - 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 underlining the points you wish to emphasize. Make sure that the answer is within the stipulated word limit.

Wishing you all the best,

Prof. Alka Dhameja
PROGRAMME COORDINATOR
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MPA-018: DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Assignment TMA

Course Code: MPA-018

Assignment Code: MPA-18/Asst/TMA/2026-2027

Marks: 50

This assignment consists of Section-I and Section-II. There are five questions in each section. You have to answer a total of five questions in about 400 words each. It is necessary to attempt at least two questions from each section. Each question carries 10 marks.

SECTION- I

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| 1) Define the concept disasters and discuss its global dimensions. | 10 |
| 2) Write a note on the disaster cycle. | 10 |
| 3) Discuss the recent trends in disaster management. | 10 |
| 4) Explain the process of vulnerability analysis. | 10 |
| 5) Discuss the requirements in community-based disaster management (CBDM). | 10 |

SECTION- II

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| 6) Explain the concept of search and rescue (SAR) and highlight its significance. | 10 |
| 7) Briefly discuss the mitigation measures. | 10 |
| 8) Explain the features of the emergency operations centre (EOC). | 10 |
| 9) Define the concept damage assessment and discuss its essential features. | 10 |
| 10) Write a note on the guiding principles of rehabilitation and reconstruction. | 10 |