

MASTER DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK (MSWOL)

(MSWOL First Year)

Assignment: 2026-2027

Course Titles

MSW-001 : Origin and Development of Social Work

MSW-002 : Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives

MSW-003 : Basic Social Science Concepts

MSW-004 : Social Work and Social Development

MSW-005 : Social Work Practicum and Supervision

MSW-006 : Social Work Research

MSWE-010 : Social Work in African Context

MSW-032 : Social Work and Criminal Justice

Last Date to upload the Assignment on the LMS July, 2026 Session – March 31, 2027 January, 2027 Session – September 30, 2027

Note : Kindly prepare the assignments for the courses you have opted.

Dear Learner,

Welcome to the **Master of Social Work [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 upload.
- 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 all the details like Name of programme, Name of course, Enrolment No., Academic Year, Regional Centre etc. on the front page of assignment.
- 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 Practicum and Supervision

ASSIGNMENT

Course Code : MSW-005

Total marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

- 1) Define Social Work Practicum. Discuss its objectives, importance and relevance in professional social work education. 20

Or

Critically examine the evolution of social work practicum in India and discuss its significance in Open and Distance Learning systems. 20

- 2) Discuss the role of field instruction in the development of professional competence among social work students. 20

Or

Explain the concept of field work supervision. Discuss the principles, functions and challenges of supervision in social work practicum. 20

- 3) Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **300** words each:

- a) Discuss the various models of social work practicum. 10
- b) Explain the roles and expectations of social work learners in practicum settings. 10
- c) Examine the responsibilities of Field Work Supervisors in ensuring effective learning. 10
- d) Discuss the scope of social work practicum in correctional and health-care settings. 10

- 4) Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **150** words each:

- a) Explain the significance of agency–student relationship in field work learning. 5
- b) Discuss social work practicum in educational settings. 5
- c) Explain the importance of recording in social work practicum. 5
- d) Describe the qualities of an effective social work supervisor. 5
- e) Discuss the ethical issues encountered during field work practice. 5
- f) Explain the components of social work practicum. 5

- 5) Write short notes on any **five** of the following questions in about **100** words each:

- a) Supervision Conference 4
- b) Field Work Agency 4
- c) Process Recording 4
- d) Professional Accountability 4
- e) Social Work Practicum in Rural Settings 4
- f) Evaluation of Practicum 4
- g) Practicum Learning 4
- h) Field Instruction 4