

**BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME**

**(B.D.P)**

**EPS-09: COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS**

**ASSIGNMENT 2024**



**SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES  
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**TUTOR MARKED ASSIGNMENT**  
**EPS-09: COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS**

Dear Student,

As mentioned in the Handbook, you will have to do one Tutor Marked assignment for each of the elective courses in Political Science. Each assignment has three sections and carry 100 marks. This booklet has the assignment for the BDP elective course **EPS-09 Comparative Government and Politics**.

Before attempting the assignment, please read the instructions provided in the Programme Guide sent to you separately and as given below.

**Submission:** This assignment should be submitted to the Coordinator of your Study Centre two months prior to the Term End Examination (TEE). Therefore, the last date for submission of assignment is as follows:

**31st March, 2024 for the students appearing in the June 2024 TEE**

**30th September, 2024 for the students appearing in December 2024 TEE**

Avoid the last minute rush and try to submit the assignment well within the deadline period.

If you have already submitted assignment for this course and the same has been evaluated and sent to the Student Evaluation Division (SED), you need not attempt this assignment.

Please obtain receipt from the Study Centre for the submitted assignment and retain it. If possible, keep a xerox copy of this assignment with you. The Study Centre will have to return the assignments to you after they are evaluated. Please insist on this. The Study Centre has to send the marks to the SED Division at IGNOU, New Delhi.

Best Wishes  
**Faculty of Political Science**  
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Course Code: EPS-09  
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Total Marks: 100

Answer questions in each category. Answer in your own words.

- A) DCQ: Answer the following in about 500 words each.** 20x2
- 1) Describe the usefulness and limitations of the Political Economy approach in the study of Comparative Politics.
  - 2) Discuss the different type of functions performed by political parties in democratic systems.
- B) MCQ: Answer the following in about 250 words each** 12x2
- 3) Briefly describe the elitist and pluralist position on the distribution of power in societies.
  - 4) Analyse the features of an authoritarian regime.
  - 5) Distinguish between unitary and federal systems.
  - 6) What are pressure groups? How do they differ from political parties?
- C) SCQ: Write a short note on the following in about 100 words each** 6x2
- 7) Lenin and trade union movements
  - 8) Democratic rights and human rights

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