BEGC 131

BACHELOR OF ARTS MULTIDISCIPLINARY/ (GENERAL)

(BAM)/ (BAG)

ASSIGNMENT

(For July 2026 and January 2027 Sessions)

BA Multidisciplinary/(General)
INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY
(BEGC 131)

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(BEGC-131)

Programme: BAM/BAG/2026-267
Course Code: BEGC-131

Dear Student,

You are required to do **one** assignment for the course 'Individual and Society'(BEGC 131).It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA)andcarries100 marks. It covers four blocks of the course.

Aims: The TMA is primarily concerned with assessing your proficiency in English. You should not reproduce chunks of information from the passage(s) but effectively use the skills of reading and writing that you may have acquired during the course of study to compose your answers. These assignments aim to teach as well as to assess your performance.

Guidelines: You will be required to answer the questions on reading comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and composition.

As in day-to-day life, **planning** is important in attempting the assignment as well. Read the assignment carefully; go through the units on which the questions are based; note down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. In the essay-type answer, pay attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell you how to interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic. **You should submit the assignment in your own handwriting.**

Make sure that your answer:

a) Is logical
b) Is written in simple and correct English
c) Does not exceed the number of words indicated in your questions
d) Is written neatly and clearly.

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignment before you can take the Term End Examination. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignment with you and to take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignment.

Last Date for Submission of Assignment:

For June Examination **31st March**

For December Examination **30thSeptember**

Good Luck!

Note: ***Remember the submission of assignment is a precondition for appearing in the examination. If you do not submit the assignment on time, you will not be allowed to appear in the examination.***

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Max. Marks: 100

There are three sections in this assignment attempt all the sections

SECTION A

20 Marks

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

5 × 2 = 10 Marks

Travel can be much more than visiting new places. It gives us an opportunity to meet people, understand different ways of life and look at our own habits from a fresh perspective. A thoughtful traveller respects local customs, avoids wasting natural resources and tries to support local communities.

Tourism, however, can also place pressure on the environment. Popular destinations often face problems such as litter, traffic, water shortage and damage to natural surroundings. Responsible tourism therefore requires travellers to make sensible choices. Using public transport, avoiding single-use plastic, respecting wildlife and buying locally produced goods are small steps that can make a difference.

Travel also teaches patience and adaptability. Plans may change, languages may be unfamiliar and food may be different from what we are used to. Learning to respond calmly to such situations makes travel a valuable experience. In this way, a journey can help us understand not only other places and people but also ourselves.

Answer the following:

a. How can travel help us understand other ways of life?
b. Mention two problems caused by excessive tourism.
c. What is meant by responsible tourism?
d. How does travel teach adaptability?
e. Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

2. Match the words with their meanings:

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a. Perspective
b. Customs
c. Resources
d. Adaptability
e. Responsible

i. Ability to adjust to change
ii. Traditions and accepted practices

iii. A particular way of looking at something
iv. Acting with care and awareness
v. Useful materials or supplies

SECTION B

3 × 10 = 30 Marks

1. Write a speech on **"Small Steps towards a Healthy Lifestyle."**
10
2. Two friends are planning an affordable holiday together. Write a dialogue between them.
10
3. Write a report on a cultural festival organised in your institution or locality.
10

SECTION C

50 Marks

1. Write an email to a tourist information centre asking for details about accommodation and local transport.
10 Marks
2. Write an essay on **"Cultural Diversity Makes Society Richer."**
20 Marks
3. Write a letter to a friend recovering from an illness, suggesting simple ways to regain health and fitness.
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Answer

a. Travel helps us understand other ways of life by giving us chances to meet people, observe their customs and ways of living, and compare them with our own habits from a fresh perspective.

b. Two problems caused by excessive tourism are litter and water shortage. It may also create traffic and damage natural surroundings.

c. Responsible tourism means travelling in a sensible way that respects local people and customs, reduces harm to the environment, avoids wasting resources and supports local communities.

d. Travel teaches adaptability because plans may change and travellers may face unfamiliar languages or food. Learning to respond calmly and adjust to these situations develops adaptability.

e. Responsible Travel: Learning and Caring.