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**MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE
EDUCATION (MADE)**

Term-End Examination

December, 2012

**ES-317 : DISTANCE EDUCATION : ECONOMIC
PERSPECTIVE**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Weightage :75%

*Note : (i) Attempt all the **three** questions.*

*(ii) All the questions carry **equal** weightage.*

1. Answer *any one* of the following in about **1200** words :

(a) Describe the various determinants of human capital. Explain, with the help of suitable examples, education as a human capital.

OR

(b) Explain the meaning of educational finance. Write the main principles of financial management for an educational institution.

2. Answer *any four* of the following in about **300** words each.

(a) Differentiate between consumption and investment in education.

- (b) Describe the different types of budgeting.
- (c) Explain whether privatisation of education can reduce government spending.
- (d) Write the steps in calculating the 'rates of return'.
- (e) Define fixed and variable costs in distance education.

3. Answer *any one* of the following in about **1200** words.

- (a) Suppose that you have to launch distance education programmes in your institution,- describe the factors which will affect the costs of launching those distance education programmes.

OR

- (b) Explain the role of the government and the process involved in financing education of your country.
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