M.A. DISTANCE EDUCATION

Term-End Examination

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December, 2014

MDE-414 : MANAGEMENT OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

Time: 3 hours

Weightage: 75%

Note: Attempt all the **three** questions. All the three questions carry equal weightage.

- 1. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 1200 words:
 - (a) Critically examine the four philosophical foundations on which educational processes are based.
 - (b) Why are many Governments across the world making heavy investments in distance education?
- 2. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about 300 words each:
 - (a) Discuss briefly 'Academic Management' in an educational institution.

- (b) Write a note on the instructional system of any distance education institution that you are familiar with.
- (c) Discuss the importance of learner support system in distance education.
- (d) Describe the functions of any three apex bodies in the field of higher education in India.
- (e) Discuss briefly the major issues in the financial management of universities in the Third World.
- (f) Critically discuss the role of private sector in higher education.
- **3.** Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 1200 words:
 - (a) Discuss the critical issues to be addressed while planning the establishment of a distance education institution.
 - (b) Critically analyse the key elements that will influence the nature and type while designing a distance education institution.