

MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION)

Term-End Examination

December, 2015

**MES-111 : GROWTH AND PHILOSOPHY OF
DISTANCE EDUCATION**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Weightage : 70%

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- Note :** (i) *All questions are compulsory.*
(ii) *All questions carry equal weightage.*
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1. Answer the following question in about 600 words :

Define distance education in your own words.
Discuss the scope of distance education in India.

OR

Analyse the quality indicators that determine the social credibility of open and distance learning system.

2. Answer the following question in about 600 words :

Discuss Charles Wedemeyer's views on independent study.

OR

Describe the importance of human element in an industrialised form of education.

3. Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **150** words each :

- (a) Explain the pedagogic significance of tutor comments in distance education.
- (b) Discuss in brief the relevance of distance education in Africa.
- (c) Write a short note on any mega-university known to you.
- (d) Discuss in brief Holmberg's views on guided didactic conversation.
- (e) Write a short note on student support services provided by Indira Gandhi National Open University.
- (f) Discuss the concept of virtual university.

4. Answer the following question in about **600** words :

Critically discuss important measures that are necessary to sustain distance education initiatives in India.
