

MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION)

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Term-End Examination

June, 2014

**MES-012 : EDUCATION : NATURE AND
PURPOSES**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Weightage : 70%

Note : (i) *All questions are compulsory.*

(ii) *All questions carry equal weightage.*

1. Answer the following questions in about 600 words :

Discuss the determinants of educational aims.
Explain the criteria of a sound educational aim.

OR

Discuss the philosophy and the aims of education according to naturalistic and existentialistic schools of thought. Are they relevant to the present system of Education ? Explain.

2. Answer the following question in about 600 words :

Explain the different sources of 'Pramana' and their implications to construction of knowledge. How do they differ from western views on sources of knowledge ?

OR

What are the different types of knowledge ? How do they contribute to the structure of a 'Discipline' ? Discuss the status of education as a discipline in light of the above.

3. Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **150** words each :
- (a) How do the cognitive learning theories influence curriculum development ?
 - (b) Discuss the principles involved in curriculum planning.
 - (c) Differentiate between a subject - centered and a problem - centered approach to a curriculum. Which one of them do you prefer and why ?
 - (d) Explain education as a process of initiation.
 - (e) How does education help in understanding cultural diversities ? Explain with an example.
 - (f) Differentiate between liberal and professional education with an example.
4. Answer the following in about **600** words :
Discuss the concept and aims of education according to Sri Aurobindo and Rabindranath Tagore. Critically examine to what extent are they reflected in our current educational system.
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