

**M.A. DISTANCE EDUCATION**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2017**

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**MDE-411 : GROWTH AND PHILOSOPHY OF  
DISTANCE EDUCATION**

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*For students of January 2012 and Onwards*

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*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Weightage : 75%*

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- Note :** (i) *Answer all the three questions.*  
(ii) *All the three questions carry equal weightage.*
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1. Answer **any one** of the following questions in about **1200** words :
- (a) 'With the upsurge in ICT, distance learning has become elitist in nature.' Justify the statement with examples.
- OR**
- (b) Is it correct to say that distance education is an industrialized form of teaching and learning ? 'yes' or 'no' ? Justify.
2. Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **300** words each :
- (a) What could be the contribution of 'human element' in the context of distance teaching ?
- (b) Explain the notion of 'equity' in ODL.
- (c) Write a short note on 'blended learning'.

- (d) Write a note on 'counselling' with reference to distance education.
- (e) "Does ODL allow 'self-pacing' in learning" ? Explain.
- (f) What is meant by 'student support services' in the context of distance education ?

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

- (a) "If open education is considered the destination, distance education can be considered a vehicle to reach the destination." Explain.

**OR**

- (b) Examine the degree of acceptance of ODL in India.
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