## MASTER OF ARTS (DISTANCE EDUCATION) M.A. (DE) Term-End Examination

## June, 2022

## MDE-415 : RESEARCH FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Weightage : 75%

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

- Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 1200 words :
  - (a) Classify the research areas based on national and international reviewers. Discuss critically the gaps and overlaps of research areas in Open and Distance Learning.
  - (b) Describe the purposes of writing research reports. State the three main components of a research report. Discuss the major sub-headings pertaining to 'main body' of a research report, with the help of examples.

- 2. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about 300 words each :
  - (a) Discuss the levels of theorising in research for distance education.
  - (b) Explain the uses and limitations of attitude scales in research.
  - (c) Describe the need and importance of ethics in research for distance education.
  - (d) Discuss the uses of chi-square test in research.
  - (e) Compare cluster sampling with multistage sampling. Give suitable examples.
  - (f) Enumerate the steps involved in experimental research.
- **3.** Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 1200 words :
  - Select a research problem of your choice. Prepare a research proposal and justify the method of research appropriate for this research problem.
  - (b) Discuss the importance of Case Study Method in research. Describe the main steps involved in case study method, with the help of examples.