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MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION) / P.G. DIPLOMA IN HIGHER EDUCATION M.A. (ED) / PGDHE

Term-End Examination

June, 2010

MES-101: HIGHER EDUCATION: ITS CONTEXT AND LINKAGES

Time: 3 hours

Maximum Weightage: 70%

Note: (i) Attempt all the four questions.

(ii) All questions carry equal weightage.

1. Answer any one of the following in about 600 words:

Analyse the role of University as a social entity. Do you think Universities are fulfilling their roles in transforming society? Discuss.

OR

Analyse the importance of professionalising the teachers in the light of declining standards in higher education.

2. Answer the following in about 600 words:

Discuss the aims of University education. Are Universities in India fulfilling these aims?

OR

Examine the contribution of UGC in the maintenance of standards of higher education. Discuss the constraints faced in the performance of its role.

- 3. Answer *any four* of the following questions in about **150** words each :
 - (a) Discuss the main objectives of planning for higher education in India.
 - (b) Discuss the constitutional provisions for SC, ST and Minorities with respect to education.
 - (c) Discuss the role of a teacher as academic leader and as social and political activist.
 - (d) Examine the relation between academic freedom and institutional autonomy.
 - (e) Discuss the need and characteristics of open and distance learning system.
- **4.** Answer the following in about **600** words:

Analyse the development of higher education in a post-independence phase with respect to:

- (a) growth of enrolment
- (b) plan expenditure
- (c) role of UGC to support quality