

**Indira Gandhi National Open University  
School of Education**

**Master of Arts (Education) - MAEDU**

**First Year**

**Assignments- January & July 2025**

**Please Note:**

- a) The Assignment Responses (ARs) may be submitted by hand or sent by registered post to the Programme-in-Charge of your Programme Study Centre.
- b) You should retain a copy of all the assignments in your own interest.

**MES-011 UNDERSTANDING EDUCATION**

**Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:**

1. Critically analyse the influence of political system on Indian education system from a historical perspective.
2. Describe, briefly, different types of resources required for providing quality education
3. Describe, briefly, various efforts made in India to achieve the target of Universalization of Elementary Education (UEE).

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

**Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:**

1. Discuss how education can be characterized as process of socialization and as a process of constructing new learning experience.
2. Discuss how progressive development of the five sheaths (koshas) of human personality constitutes the aims of education according to the Upanishads.

3. Analyse aims of education as advocated by Rabindranath Tagore, Mahatma Gandhi, and Sri Aurobindo Ghose. Find out similarities and differences in their aims of education.

### **MES-013 LEARNING, LEARNER AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:**

1. Discuss the cognitive – field theory of learning.
2. How do children learn attitudes and values?
3. Select a school textbook according to your subject expertise and analyze the content with reference to the following:
  - What are the objectives of teaching the subject at that level?
  - Does the content reflect the objectives of teaching the subject at that level?
  - Is the difficulty level of the content according to the cognitive ability of learners at that level? How will you make adjustment in your teaching activity to include different ability groups?
  - Does the content include local knowledge? How will you include local knowledge in your teaching activities?

Write a report discussing the above points with appropriate illustrations from the textbook.

### **MES-014 SOCIETAL CONTEXT OF EDUCATION**

**Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:**

1. Explain the concept of social stratification. Explain different types of social stratification and discuss the role of education in the transmission of society's norms and values.
2. How is teacher associated with the curriculum? Describe the role of teacher in planning, development, transaction, and evaluation of curriculum.
3. Explain the concept of Social Diversity. Critically analyze the influence of social diversity on education in terms of access, participation and achievement.

## **MES-015 OPERATIONAL DIMENSIONS OF EDUCATION**

**Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:**

1. Explain the concept of informal education. Describe the agencies of informal education with special reference to family and peer group.
2. What do you mean by institutional effectiveness? Explain the parameters of institutional evaluation that determine effectiveness of an institution.
3. Explain the concept of continuous and comprehensive evaluation. Discuss, with suitable illustrations, the tools that can be used for continuous and comprehensive evaluation in the school.

## **MES-016 EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH**

**Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:**

1. Differentiate between relationship studies and developmental studies in education with examples.
2. Explain the meaning and significance of hypothesis in educational research. Describe different types of hypothesis. How can you test a hypothesis?
3. Select a problem from any areas of educational practices which you are interested to study. Prepare a brief research proposal for conducting the research study.