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**MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION
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ASSIGNMENTS

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(MDE-411, 412, 413, 414, 418)

**Assignments should be submitted to Director, STRIDE, Block-16, IGNOU,
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1. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Discuss the role of open distance learning in enhancing higher education opportunities for the present youth in India as well as skills development in the labour force.

2. Answer any three of the following in about 250-300 words:

- i) Comment on the perceived differences between face to face education and open Distance learning in the present scenario.
- ii) Suggest some practical measures to manage access, equity and quality in open Distance learning.
- iii) To what extent can learner autonomy be encouraged in the present context?
- iv) Discuss any three reasons for the spread of Distance Education in Africa.
- v) Why should developing countries choose their own models of open Distance learning?

3. Answer the following in about 800 words:

Discuss the spread of the Open University movement starting from 1969 up to 2000.

Or

What are the current trends in the open education movement? Give suitable examples.

Course Coordinator (MDE-411): Prof. P.R. Ramanujam (e-mail: ramanujam@ignou.ac.in)

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Discuss the Bruner's discovery learning approach to instruction. Enumerate its applications in the context of distance education.

Or

Explain the SOLO taxonomy of learning outcomes and state how it is helpful for designing instruction.

2. Answer any three of the following in about 250-300 words each.

- i) Differentiate between Norm Referenced Test (NRT) and Criterion Referenced Test (CRT).
- ii) Discuss two types of learning styles that reflect the process of learning.
- iii) Describe the importance of assessment of specific needs before planning a programme for distance education system.
- iv) Discuss the processes involved in Online Seminars.
- v) Discuss the role of a teacher as an 'Instructional Designer'.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Describe the instructional design for self-learning print materials.

Or

Explain the generic steps involved in Rapid Prototype Instructional Design.

Course Coordinator (MDE-412): Prof. Basanti Pradhan (e-mail: basantipradhan@ignou.ac.in)

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Why learners' need support services and how they are benefited from the support services provided by the distance education institutions?

2. Answer any three of the following in about 250-300 words each:

- i) How counselling is different from tutoring? Give some examples to justify your answer.
- ii) What are the qualities of a counsellor?

- iii) What is SQ3R technique? How it helps for developing the reading skills?
- iv) What is life long learning in the context of distance education?
- v) Why perfect grading is not possible in the context of distance education?

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Explain the significance of tutor comments in Distance Education with emphasis on teaching type comments.

Course Coordinator (MDE-413): Mr. Tata Ramakrishna (e-mail: tataramakrishna@ignou.ac.in)

Assignment 04 (MDE-414)

Due date: February 28, 2015

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Analyze various components that constitute the system of education in a country. (Unit 2 of Block-1 would help you to answer this question).

2. Answer any three of the following questions in about 250 words each:

- i) Examine briefly the problems and conflicts that occur in the functioning of higher education institutions due to multiple agencies involved in their governance. (Unit 4 of Block-2 would help you to answer this question).
- ii) Describe the broad organizational framework within which Indian universities are structured. (Unit 5 of Block-2 would help you to answer this question).
- iii) Why many governments across the world are making heavy investments in distance education? (Unit 1 of Block-3 would help you to answer this question).
- iv) Write a brief note on Resource Management in Distance Education institution. (Unit 4 of Block-3 would help you to answer this question).

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Compare the educational processes with the processes of non-educational organizations and identify the distinguishing features. (Unit 4 of Block-1 would help you to answer this question).

Course Coordinator (MDE-414): Prof. C.R.K. Murthy (e-mail: crkmurthy@ignou.ac)

Assignment 04 (MDE-418)

Due date: April 30, 2015

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Describe 'collaborative learning' as a pedagogy design for teaching through communication technology and techniques for collaborative learning.

2. Answer any three of the following questions in about 250 words each:

- i) Describe the advantages of video conferencing in education and training.
- ii) Identify the uses of internet for a distance learner.
- iii) Describe design and development of audio programmes.
- iv) Write a short note on 'webcasting'

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Describe synchronous and asynchronous interactive delivery methods.

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