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MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION (MADE)

Term-End Examination December, 2014

ES-319 : STAFF DEVELOPMENT IN DISTANCE EDUCATION

Time: 3 hours Maximum Weightage: 75%

Note: (i) Attempt all **three** questions.

(ii) All the three questions carry equal weightage.

- 1. Answer any one of the following in about 1200 words:
 - (a) Identify the need for professional training for distance teachers. Critically discuss various strategies used for training. In your opinion which strategy is the most effective for a group of newly appointed distance teachers and why?
 - (b) Design a training programme for course writers of distance education institutions. Discuss the contents you want to include. Justify your answer.

- **2.** Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **300** words each :
 - (a) Discuss any one method of evaluation of training programmes.
 - (b) Highlight the importance of training need analysis of the permanent faculty of distance teaching institutions.
 - (c) What are the advantages and disadvantages of course team approach to develop learning materials for distance education?
 - (d) 'Today's trainee is tomorrow's trainer'. Write your answer with suitable examples or with your own reflections as a trainer and trainee.
 - (e) What are the Pedagogical implications of 'Language Across Curriculum' (LAC) for staff development in distance education?
 - (f) Identify the main differences between child and adult learning.
- **3.** Answer **any one** of the following questions in about **1200** words :
 - (a) What are the basic differences between Quantitative and Qualitative approaches to evaluation? Discuss any two methods of evaluation of a training programme.
 - (b) If you are asked to develop a one-year Diploma Programme in your own discipline by involving external course writers and editors, how will you plan a training for the course writers and editors? Present a detailed training plan with its objectives.

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