

**MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION)/  
P.G. DIPLOMA IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2016**

**MES-101 : HIGHER EDUCATION : ITS CONTEXT  
AND LINKAGES**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Weightage : 70%*

**Note :** *All questions are compulsory. All questions carry equal weightage.*

1. Answer the following question in about 600 words :

Describe the key features of higher education in India before Independence and discuss the reforms undertaken during the first decade after independence.

**OR**

What is meant by 'equity' in the context of higher education in India ? Discuss the efforts made to ensure equal opportunity for all citizens for acquiring higher education. What are the issues involved in it ?

2. Answer the following question in about 600 words :

What is your assessment of quality and quantity of research being done in Indian Universities ? What steps have been taken to promote research in our higher education institutions ? Give examples.

**OR**

What are the expectations from a university/college teacher in terms of his/her academic and social roles? Evaluate the academic, professional and social functions of teachers in higher education in India.

3. Answer **any four** of the following in about **150** words each :

- (a) Discuss the importance of academic freedom in institutions of higher learning.
- (b) Critically reflect on impact of WTO regulations on higher education in India.
- (c) Analyse critically the impact of privatization of higher education in our country.
- (d) Evaluate critically the role of NAAC in the assessment and accreditation of higher education institutions.
- (e) Discuss the role of teachers' organization in professional development of college teachers.

4. Answer the following question in about **600** words :

Discuss the current problems being faced by higher education system in India with special reference to access, equity and relevance. Give your suggestions to improve the situation.

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