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## POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNICATION (PGDDCOL)

## DEVELOPMENT JOURNALISM FOR SOCIAL CHANGE

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Note : Attempt all questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. What is the goal of the new set of ethics for civic journalism?
- A) To be a mediator of an ongoing public conversation among diverse groups
- B) To provide neutral descriptions of agents, events and issues
- C) To be detached and independent reporting
- D) To provide marketable stories.
- 2. What led to the emergence of development journalism and development communication?
- A) Industrialization
- B) Second World War and loss of human life
- C) Development of new technologies
- D) Growth of the entertainment industry.
- 3. What is the Stakeholder Theory?
- A) It talks about the rights of shareholders in a business.

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- B) It starts with an inward approach and describes the various communities affected by a business.
- C) It is a theory that explains how to maximize profits while minimizing costs.
- D) It explains the relationship between a business and its competitors.
- 4. How does the proper disposal of human excreta contribute to safeguarding water and soil quality?
- A) By reducing the incidence of open defecation
- B) By preventing the spread of water-borne diseases
- C) By eliminating the need for wastewater treatment
- D) By promoting the use of organic fertilizers.
- 5. Why did the private sector take better initiatives towards CSR in India?
- A) To support Gandhi's philosophy on Nai Talim, Dalit Empowerment, women empowerment
- B) To follow the laws related to labour and environment introduced after independence
- C) To gain PR and media coverage
- D) It is not mentioned in the text.
- 6. What is Urbanisation?
- A) The movement of people from urban to rural areas
- B) The movement of people from rural to urban areas
- C) The movement of people from one urban area to another

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- D) The movement of people from one rural area to another.
- 7. What are some evergreen principles of reporting?
- A) Truth, propaganda and activism
- B) Objectivity, accuracy and fairness
- C) Sensationalism, exaggeration and bias
- D) Advocacy, storytelling and opinion
- 8. What is the institutional mechanism created by the villagers of Mawlynnong to keep the village clean?
- A) Village level Committee
- B) Municipal Corporation
- C) State Government
- D) National Government
- 9. Why is communication critical to urban development?
- A) It helps policy-makers understand the problems confronting the communities.
- B) It enables the participation of community members in development projects.
- C) It facilitates the planning and implementation of development policies.
- D) All of the above
- 10. What is the World Bank's definition of governance?
- A) The exercise of economic, political and administrative authority to manage a country's affairs at all levels.

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- B) The manner in which power is exercised in the management of a country's economic and social resources for development.
- C) The changes taking place in the organization of the state and its relationship with private sector and civil society actors.
- D) None of the above
- 11. What is the difference between literacy and education?
- A) Literacy involves the ability to read and write, while education leads to the development of an individual's capabilities.
- B) Literacy helps acquire skills and learning, while education is about applying these skills and learning to analyze situations comprehensively.
- C) Literacy is a gradual progression of understanding spoken and written words, while education is a lifelong learning process.
- D) Literacy and education are identical concepts.
- 12. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of development communication according to Narula (1994)?
- A) People-centric processes
- B) Use of local knowledge
- C) Dependence on imported resources
- D) Fulfilment of basic needs of people
- 13. What is the counter view regarding the effectiveness of CSR initiatives?
- A) CSR initiatives always bring positive change to society
- B) CSR initiatives never bring positive change to society

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- C) Some corporations use CSR for financial gain, rather than social welfare
- D) CSR initiatives are not worth the investment for corporations.
- 14. What is the purpose of development communication?
- A) To create awareness about social issues
- B) To entertain audiences
- C) To sell products
- D) To pursue development objectives.
- 15. What is the role of communication modes and media in learning?
- A) They hinder learning.
- B) They help the student use different senses to comprehend concepts.
- C) They help the teacher deliver instruction.
- D) None of the above
- 16. What was the major focus of the modernisation approach?
- A) Socio-cultural impact
- B) Monetary aspect
- C) Political impact
- D) Technological impact.
- 17. What is science and technology news reporting?
- A) Reporting on general news events
- B) Reporting on social, economic and health implications

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- C) Reporting on entertainment news
- D) Reporting on political issues.
- 18. What is Swayam Prabha?
- A) A digital learning platform
- B) A TV channel initiative of Government of India
- C) A radio channel initiative of Government of India
- D) A print publication initiative of Government of India
- 19. What are some examples of community media?
- A) Local community newspapers, radio stations and magazines
- B) National newspapers and television channels
- C) Social media platforms
- D) Online news websites
- 20. What were some of the social marketing projects launched and implemented in the 1980s and 1990s?
- A) AIDS, unwanted pregnancies, literacy
- B) Diarrheal diseases, family planning, immunizations, environmental concerns
- C) Cancer, heart diseases, mental illnesses
- D) None of the above
- 21. Why is it crucial to involve stakeholders in developing CSR commitments?
- A) They can articulate what they need and how the corporate can help them

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- B) They can only provide financial support for the CSR initiatives
- C) They can determine the objectives of the CSR initiatives
- D) They can monitor the progress of the CSR initiatives.
- 22. What is the role of agriculture journalism?
- A) To target readers and farmers
- B) To increase the production of food
- C) To spread awareness about the latest farming technologies
- D) To establish a communication link between governments, farmers and readers.
- 23. What is the main purpose of participatory approach in community media?
- A) To identify the root cause of a problem
- B) To design interventions for the community
- C) To implement solutions for the community issues
- D) To initiate a dialogue and involve community members in identifying problems and implementing solutions
- 24. What is the "Egg of Sustainability" model developed by IUCN?
- A) It is a model that consists of ecological communities and natural resources.
- B) It is a model that highlights the importance of people and the ecosystem.
- C) It is a model that emphasizes the importance of social development.
- D) It is a model that focuses on economic development and industrial growth.
- 25. What is the philosophy of development communication?

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- A) To target a specific audience
- B) To participate in two major groups of people
- C) To educate or semi-literate or literate people
- D) To disseminate information and affect change.
- 26. What is Extension Education?
- A) A process of teaching rural people how to improve their farm, home and community institutions
- B) A process of teaching rural people how to use chemical fertilizers
- C) A process of teaching rural people how to use pesticides
- D) A process of teaching rural people how to use bio-engineered seeds.
- 27. What are the six essentials of environmental communication according to Alexander Flor?
- A) Sensitivity to the cultural dimension, efficiency in using media for social agenda setting, knowledge of ecological laws, conflict resolution, mediation and arbitration, and appreciation of environmental ethics.
- B) Efficiency in using media for social agenda setting, conflict resolution, mediation and arbitration, knowledge of ecological laws, networking effectively, and sensitivity to the cultural dimension.
- C) Appreciation of environmental ethics, sensitivity to the cultural dimension, networking effectively, knowledge of ecological laws, efficiency in using media for social agenda setting, and conflict resolution, mediation and arbitration.

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- D) Knowledge of ecological laws, networking effectively, sensitivity to the cultural dimension, conflict resolution, mediation and arbitration, and appreciation of environmental ethics.
- 28. What is the impact of media literacy on decision-making?
- A) It makes decision-making less informed.
- B) It makes decision-making more dependent on media messages.
- C) It makes decision-making more informed.
- D) It has no impact on decision-making.
- 29. What is the purpose of a development communication campaign?
- A) To entertain the target audience
- B) To inform the target audience
- C) To instigate positive change in the society
- D) To sell products or services
- 30. Why is it important for a reporter to have basic knowledge of how constitutional bodies function in India?
- A) To bring market forces and civil society into the realm of governance
- B) To evaluate, allocate and approve state plans
- C) To transform the lives of people with development initiatives
- D) To bring out the x-factor in their news stories

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- 31. What are the essential skills required to be an environmental journalist?
- A) Understanding of cultural events and ability to speak multiple languages
- B) Knowledge of current political events and the ability to speak with politicians
- C) Understanding of scientific language and practice and historical environmental events
- D) Ability to write in a creative and entertaining way.
- 32. According to Lasswell's model, what are the three functions of communication?
- A) Transmission, reception and interpretation
- B) Surveillance, correlation and transmission
- C) Transmission, decoding and analysis
- D) Interpretation, surveillance and correlation
- 33. What is the importance of funding in a Development Communication Project?
- A) Funding is not important for the success of the project.
- B) Funding is important to ensure that the project achieves its aim/goal.
- C) Funding is only required for the diffusion/extension approach.
- D) Funding is important only for the integrated approach
- 34. What is the role of good development journalism?

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- A) To spread propaganda on behalf of the government or non-government organizations
- B) To ignore the truth and spread lies
- C) To report on stories that are concerned with some aspect of social change and hold various stakeholders accountable
- D) To advocate for a particular position and create false news
- 35. What is the role of NITI Aayog in Indian governance?
- A) To evaluate, allocate and approve state plans
- B) To concentrate on strategies of governance
- C) To empower grassroots level democratic institutions
- D) To provide financial resources to Panchayati Raj Institutions
- 36. What is the process of 'deconstruction of message' in media literacy?
- A) Analysis of messages in their context and presentation
- B) Understanding messages from different media sources
- C) Understanding messages independently and in relation to others
- D) Recognizing biases and prejudices in media messages
- 37. What type of issues are addressed in community radio programmes for rural audiences?
- A) Only entertainment-related issues

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- B) Only legal issues
- C) Day-to-day and seasonal needs of the local community, government-supported schemes, farmer distress and issues concerning women and legal rights
- D) International news and updates.

## ANSWER: C)

- 38. What is the main difference between Science and Technology reporting and other areas of reporting?
- A) Science stories are usually shorter.
- B) Science reporting is unique and differs from other journalistic beats.
- C) Science reporting involves questioning the statistics.
- D) Science stories are written and organized in a specific manner.
- 39. What is the potential economic news not adequately covered by the media?
- A) Rural, farm and agriculture sector
- B) Liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation
- C) Poverty and human capital
- D) Environment and sustainable development.
- 40. What is the right to information according to the RTI Act, 2005?
- A) The right to access any information, regardless of its availability.
- B) The right to access information that is held by or under the control of any public authority.

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- C) The right to access only personal information.
- D) The right to access only information related to national security.
- 41. What is the vision of the Digital India campaign?
- A) To transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy
- B) To promote traditional ways of communication
- C) To make India a cashless economy
- D) To reduce the usage of digital technology
- 42. Which type of participation involves community members providing answers to the questions posed by practitioners or experts during discussions?
- A) Passive participation
- B) Participation by consultation
- C) Participation by collaboration
- D) Empowerment participation
- 43. What is the obligation of journalism according to the Pew Center for Civic Journalism?
- A) Just telling the news or unloading lots of facts.
- B) Reflecting values in journalism.
- C) An obligation that goes beyond just telling the news or unloading lots of facts.
- D) None of the above

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- 44. What is the relevance of the Right to Information Act, 2005?
- A) To restrict access to information by the public
- B) To provide information to the government authorities
- C) To provide information to the public by the authorities
- D) To restrict access to information by the government authorities.

**ANSWER: C** 

- 45. Who exposed Harshad Mehta's scams in Mumbai share market in 1992?
- A) Shyam Khosla
- B) Himanshu Chatterjee
- C) Sucheta Dalal
- D) Anil Mahatme
- 46. What is the definition of CSR by Archie B. Carroll?
- A) A system for corporates that ensures the responsibility of businesses towards society
- B) A practice to take social responsibility as a corporate and act on it through various CSR initiatives
- C) A management concept whereby companies integrate social and environmental concerns in their business operations and interactions with their stakeholders
- D) The social responsibility of business encompasses the economic, legal, ethical and discretionary expectations that society has of organizations at a given point in time.

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- 47. What is the basic postulate of accountability according to the Supreme Court in the S. P. Gupta vs. Union of India case?
- A) The people should have information about the functioning of the government
- B) The government should be allowed to keep their activities hidden
- C) The citizens have no right to criticize the government
- D) The people should not know how the government is functioning.
- 48. What are some of the multi-sided pressures faced by the news industry according to the text?
- A) Citizen journalism, audience concentration and shifts in advertising revenue
- B) Corporate media concentration, audience fragmentation and shifts in advertising revenue streams
- C) Citizen journalism, fusing of news and entertainment and shifts in advertising revenue streams
- D) Corporate media concentration, fusing of news and entertainment and audience fragmentation.
- 49. Which of the following is not an approach used in development communication?
- A) Information, Education, Communication (IEC) approach
- B) Behaviour change communication
- C) Advertising
- D) Social mobilization
- 50. How has India responded to the growth of community media?

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- A) By increasing government control over media policy and regulations
- B) By providing equal access to the frequency spectrum
- C) By opening up the economy and receiving foreign investment
- D) By limiting the growth of community media