MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION (MADE)

Term-End Examination

June, 2015

ES-315 : RESEARCH FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION

Time: 3 hours

Maximum Weightage: 75%

Note: (i) Attempt all the three questions.

(ii) All the three questions carry equal weightage.

- 1. Answer any one of the following in about 1200 words:
 - (a) Discuss how the trustworthiness and objectivity can be maintained in naturalistic studies. Cite suitable examples to support your answer.
 - (b) Detail out the situations in which three types of validities are to be calculated. Support your answer with suitable examples.
- 2. Answer any four of the following in about 300 words each:
 - (a) Which is the most stable measure of central tendency and why?
 - (b) Explain the importance of review of literature in research.
 - (c) Highlight the important areas of research in distance education.

- (d) Discuss the reasons for carrying out an external criticism in historical research.
- (e) Explain the limitations of using a rating scale.
- (f) Detail out the concept of an action research.
- 3. Answer any one of the following in about 1200 words:
 - (a) Identify two variables in which you want to establish a cause and effect relationship. Suggest and detail out which design you will choose and why?
 - (b) Define empirical and normative research. Establish their relationship in educational research.