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**M.A. DISTANCE EDUCATION**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2015**

**MDE-411 : PHILOSOPHY OF DISTANCE  
EDUCATION**

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*For students of January 2012 and Onwards*

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*Time : 3 hours*

*Weightage : 75%*

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**Note :** (i) *Answer all the three questions.*

(ii) *All the three questions carry equal weightage.*

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1. Answer **any one** of the following questions in about **1200** words :
  - (a) "Distance education in India is more imitative than innovative in nature". Discuss.
  - (b) Examine the extent to which distance education addresses the issue of social justice.
  
2. Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **300** words each :
  - (a) Why is distance education called an industrialized form of teaching and learning ?
  - (b) Discuss the concept and relevance of 'Mega University'.
  - (c) What is meant by paradigm shift in distance education ?

- (d) Write a note on distance education in South Asia.
  - (e) Explain the relevance of 'blended learning' in the Indian distance education context.
  - (f) What makes distance education a democratic process of education ?
3. Answer **any one** of the following questions in about **1200** words :
- (a) Discuss 'New learners' vis-à-vis technology (i.e., ICT) in distance education.
  - (b) Explain the issues pertaining to the socio-academic credibility of distance education in India.
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