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**POST GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN
COPY-EDITING AND PROOF-READING
(PGCCP)**

Term-End Examination

December, 2010

**MBPI-002 : LANGUAGE EDITING AND
MANUSCRIPT PREPARATION**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : This paper has five compulsory questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answer each question in 300-350 words unless otherwise stated.

1. "A sentence is not a group of words randomly put together, but an ordered string which follows certain rules". Discuss. 20

OR

What do you understand by the term 'readability' ? What are the factors that influence the readability of a text ?

2. What are the two types of news copy ? Do you think editing these different types of news copy requires different approaches ? 20

OR

Discuss the specifications for abbreviations, capitalisation and italics with reference to House style.

3. Briefly describe the different kinds of layout. **20**

OR

What are the main aspects to be covered by typesetting instructions ?

4. Discuss the ways in which the computer can help in the work of the illustrator. **20**

OR

You have been asked to design the cover for a book on Indian mythology, meant for young readers (aged 6 - 10 years). What aspects of cover design would you keep in mind while designing the cover ?

5. Write short notes on *any two* of the following in **150 – 200** words each. **10+10=20**

- (a) Desktop Publishing.
- (b) Word formation processes.
- (c) Copy marking.
- (d) Parts of a book and their relevance to Press instructions.
- (e) Cross References.