

MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION)

Term-End Examination

December, 2010

**MES-014 : SOCIETAL CONTEXT OF
EDUCATION**

02745

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Weightage : 70%

Note : (i) All the questions are compulsory.

(ii) All the questions carry equal weightage.

1. Answer the following question in about 600 words.

'Charles H. Cooley's theory of socialisation is based on human imagination whereas George H. Mead explains socialisation in the light of resulting 'acts' of this consciousness'.

Discuss the above statement.

OR

Describe the following theoretical perspectives on schooling as a socio-cultural process.

- Structural functionalism.
- Socio-cultural reproduction.

Discuss your answer with examples.

2. Answer the following question in about *600 words*.

'Even though language appears to be just a tool of communication but in the sphere of, teaching - learning it plays a crucial role.

Discuss the statement in the Indian context.

OR

Explain the nature and types of social diversity. Support your answer with relevant examples.

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

- (a) Discuss the factors responsible for social mobility.
- (b) Explain the direct and indirect costs of Education.
- (c) Define the terms : 'Compulsory', 'free', and 'elementary' education in the context of Indian education.
- (d) Describe the various characteristics of the school as a social system.
- (e) Discuss various types of knowledge.
- (f) Discuss the importance of satellite-based tele-education.
- (g) Explain the importance of teachers as instructional input.

4. Do you think that 'Right to Education' can enhance equity and access to education across the country and at all levels of education ? Justify your arguments.
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