

**CERTIFICATE IN ELEMENTARY
TEACHER EDUCATION (CETE)**

Term-End Examination

June, 2011

**MES-021 : FOUNDATION COURSE IN
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Weightage : 100%

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- Note :** (i) *All the four questions are compulsory.*
(ii) *All questions carry equal weightage.*
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Answer the questions 1 and 2 in 600 words each :

1. Analyse whether teaching is a profession, give arguments in favour of your view.

OR

Discuss the characteristics of a school as a formal organisation. Also differentiate between school as a formal organisation with any other organisation.

2. Discuss in brief the basic components of Froebel's philosophy. Also relate the significance of play to these components.

OR

How do self conception and knowledge of pupils and teachers affect the classroom interaction ? Explain in the light of David Hargreaves model of classroom interaction.

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

- (a) What is negative education according to Rousseau ? Illustrate with examples.
- (b) Discuss in brief the contributions of Mahatma Gandhi to elementary education.
- (c) Explain the significance of learning to live together.
- (d) Discuss the main characteristics of Vedic education.
- (e) How materialisation and spirituality are interwoven in the concept of education as practised by Sir Aurobindo ? Give illustrations.
- (f) Differentiate between school as formal organisation with any other organisation.
- (g) Discuss in brief the social factors that influence educability and educational achievement of the child in the school.
- (h) Explain the challenges of elementary school teachers in the present society.

4. *Answer the following question in 600 words ;*

Do you agree that the teacher plays an important role in bringing a social change ?

Write your experiences as an elementary school teacher in bringing about the social change in your community / school.