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MA 3rd Semester Exam., 2016

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(Distance Education)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer any *five* from the following questions (each in around *50* words) : 2×5=10

(a) What are the pedagogy of open distance learning?

(b) Why is the open and distance mode of learning also called flexible learning?

(c) Name four decision-making bodies of a distance education institution.

(d) What is a 'virtual university'?

(e) What is 'system evaluation'?

(f) What do you mean by quality assurance?

2. Answer any *three* from the following questions (each in around *150* words) : 4×3=12

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(b) Why is budgeting important in the financial management of a distance education institution?

(c) Explain the role played by e-learning in distance education.

(d) Describe briefly how the UKOU courses are created.

3. Answer any *three* from the following questions (each in around *250* words) : 6×3=18

(a) What do you mean by correspondence education, distance education and open education? Explain.

(b) State the factors affecting the provision of student support services.

(c) Point out the differentiation between dual-mode and single-mode institutions.

(d) Discuss the role played by academic libraries in distance education.

4. Answer any *four* from the following questions (each in around *500* words) : 10×4=40

(a) Give a brief history of distance education with special reference to your State.

(b) Discuss the qualities of a good counsellor. How can the counsellor motivate the distance learner?

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