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Master of Arts (Education) - MAEDU
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MES-011 UNDERSTANDING EDUCATION

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

1. What is meant by aim of education? Discuss, briefly, the differences between individual and social aims of education. How can both aims of education be synthesized?
2. Why is education dependent on political decision-making for its functioning? Discuss the considerations that influence the process of political decision-making in education
3. Discuss, with examples, how the participation of community contributes to educational development at the grassroots level.