

**MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE
EDUCATION**

(MADE)

Term-End Examination

December, 2025

**MDE-417 : DISTANCE EDUCATION :
ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVE**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Weightage : 75%

Note : (i) *Answer all questions.*

(ii) *All questions carry equal weightage.*

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about **1200** words :

(a) Distinguish between the following :

(i) Consumption *vs.* Investment

(ii) Economic growth and Economic development

(iii) Social goods and Merit goods

Or

(b) Discuss any *three* approaches generally employed by the planners and researchers for assessing the contributions of education to economic growth and social development.

2. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about **300** words each :

- (a) Write a brief note on wastage in education.
- (b) Describe the role of distance education in developing the quality of human resources.
- (c) Explain briefly the sources of financing distance education.
- (d) Describe the process of educational planning in India.
- (e) Explain the relation between education and employment.
- (f) Write the reasons to study the educational costs.

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3. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about **1200** words :

(a) Describe the factors which influence the cost of distance education and the strategies to be followed to achieve economies of scale through distance mode.

Or

(b) Discuss the various types and processes of budgeting.

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