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MDE-415

MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE

EDUCATION (MADE)

Term-End Examination

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MDE-415 : RESEARCH FOR DISTANCE

EDUCATION

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Weightage : 75%

Note : *Attempt all questions. All questions carry equal weightage.*

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1. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about **1200** words :
 - (a) Describe the concept of 'paradigm' and distinguish the *three* paradigms of research.

Or

- (b) Define the techniques of interview and observation. Describe the types of interview and observation with the help of examples.
2. Answer any *four* of the following questions in about **300** words each :
- (a) List the findings of the studies conducted in the area of 'needs and motivation' of distance learners.
- (b) Define hypothesis and explain the importance of hypothesis in research.
- (c) Explain parametric and non-parametric data with the help of examples.
- (d) Briefly explain the *three* characteristics of experimental research.
- (e) Describe how ICT tools can be used in conducting research studies.

- (f) List the characteristics of a good research tool and elaborate on any *one* of them.
3. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about **1200** words :
- (a) Explain the purpose of writing a research report and discuss in detail the *three* main components of a research report.

Or

- (b) Describe the important sources for the selection or identification of research problem and explain with suitable examples.

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