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M. A. IN EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES (MAEDS)

Term-End Examination

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MEDS-008: EXTENSION COMMUNICATION AND DIFFUSION OF INNOVATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Differentiate between leading, open-ended and direct questions. Discuss the importance of participatory communication in extension.

10+10

2. Name different models and theories of communication. Explain any *one* model and *one* theory with implications for extension communication. 6+7+7

- 3. Discuss the role of e-Governance in urban development with examples. 20
- 4. Define the term 'opinion leader'. Discuss the concepts of diffusion networks and critical mass with examples. 6+7+7
- 5. What is meant by consequences of innovations? Distinguish between various types of consequences of innovations. 6+14
- 6. Name the *five* adopter categories. Write the important characteristics of adopter categories. 5+15
- 7. What is adoption process? Discuss the key elements in diffusion process. 5+15
- 8. Write short notes on any two of the following:

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- (a) Stages in the innovation-development process
- (b) Interpersonal channels of communication
- (c) ICTs in rural development

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