

**Ph.D. IN DISTANCE EDUCATION
(PHDDE)**

Term-End Examination

June, 2025

**RDE-102 : CONTEXT AND CONCERN IN
DISTANCE EDUCATION**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer all questions.

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about **1000** words : 30
 - (a) Describe the contribution of correspondence and distance education towards making higher education more accessible in post-independent India.
 - (b) Why is distance education considered as learner-centered education system ? Describe the major components of learner support services in open distance education.

2. Answer any *two* of the following questions in about **400** words each : 20×2=40
- (a) Differentiate between correspondence and distance education.
 - (b) Explain the importance of learning resources in Distance Education.
 - (c) Discuss the main factors affecting the management and governance of a distance education institution.
 - (d) Why are assignments considered as a medium of two-way communication in open distance education ?
3. Answer any ***one*** of the following questions in **1000** words. 30
- (a) Discuss the characteristics of Self-Learning Materials (SLMs). Why are the self-learning materials considered as a backbone of open distance education ?
 - (b) Critically examine Otto Peter's views about distance education as an industrialised form of teaching and learning.

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