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Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 100

Instructions:

- 1) Answer any ten questions each from Section A and B.
- 2) Each question carries 5 marks.
- 3) No additional Answer sheets will be provided.
- 4) Candidates should clearly indicate the section, Question number in the answer booklet.

Section – A

Research Methodology

- I. Answer any **ten** questions. All Questions carry equal marks.
- 1. Highlight the key differences between basic and applied research in education.
- 2. Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative paradigms in educational research.
- 3. Briefly describe any four mixed method designs appropriate for educational research.
- 4. What factors will you consider in determining the research design for your problem?
- 5. How does the scales of measurement influence data collection and analysis?
- 6. With suitable examples, illustrate the use of ogives in educational research.

- 7. Briefly pinpoint the application of normal probability distribution In social science research.
- 8. Compare observation and Interview as methods of data collection In educational research, pointing out relative strengths and weaknesses of each.
- 9. Point out the relative strengths of the major measures of central tendency over one another and indicate when to use each of them.
- 10. How can the credibility of self-report scales used in educational research be Improved?
- 11. With suitable example, explain the concept of construct validity of measures in educational research.
- 12. What is internal consistency? How is it measured? When is it relevant for measures?
- 13. Establish the value of content analysis as a method of research in education.
- 14. A research question should not be altered to fit a chosen research method-Do you agree? Substantiate your stance.
- 15. Outline the process and basic principles of generating and analysing data through focus group discussions.

 $(10 \times 5 = 50 \text{ Marks})$

Section - B

Education

- II. Answer any **ten** questions :
- 1. Should an educational researcher be familiar with schools of philosophies? Substantiate your answer.
- 2. What is the relevance of eclecticism in educational theory and practice?
- 3. Showcase how perspectives on learning vary by philosophical perspectives.
- 4. On what characteristics do adult learners differ from younger learners.

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- 5. Explain information processing approach to learning.
- 6. List the general implications of situated learning theory for educational practice.
- 7. With suitable examples, explain three causal dimensions of attributions for success or failure given by learners.
- 8. Briefly describe the major components used by social cognition theory to explain motivation and learning.
- 9. Why is reflective practice important in teaching?
- 10. How do Bruner and Piaget differ on their views of constructivism in learning and education?
- 11. Elucidate the relevance of peer tutoring in teacher education.
- 12. Mention the broad areas of research in teacher education practice.
- 13. Pinpoint the pros and cons of the affiliating system on Indian higher education system.
- 14. Briefly describe the various approaches to ICT in educational practice.
- 15. Comment on the contemporary challenges in online assessment.

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