

**POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
EARLY CHILDHOOD AND
FOUNDATIONAL STAGE
EDUCATION (PGDECFE)
Term-End Examination**

December, 2025

**MCD-002 : CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY OF
EARLY CHILDHOOD AND FOUNDATIONAL
STAGE EDUCATION—I PART-1**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) *There are three Sections—A, B and C. All Sections are compulsory.*

(ii) *There are internal choice in each Section.*

(iii) *Answer each 20 marks question in about **1200** words.*

(iv) *Answer each 10 marks question in about **800** words.*

(v) *Answer each 5 marks question in about **400** words.*

Section—A

Note : *All questions are compulsory. There is internal choice in each question. In all you have to answer **three** questions. Wherever a question has sub-parts, both the sub-parts together are considered as one question.*

1. (a) Describe the features of an effective curriculum explaining how these features are inter-related. 20

Or

- (b) Explain, giving examples, what is play-based learning. Elaborate on any *two* aspects regarding the role of adult in play-based learning.
2. (a) Giving *three* examples, explain how you will use the bilingual approach in teaching of English. Discuss why is it a suitable approach. 20

Or

- (b) With reference to theme-based curriculum, explain what is webbing. Using any *one* of the below-mentioned theme, develop a web :
- (i) Birds
 - (ii) Trees
 - (iii) Red colour
3. (a) What do you understand by the term 'creativity' ? Giving examples, discuss any *four* principles that one should keep in mind while interacting with children to nurture their creativity. 20

Or

- (b) What do you understand by the term 'Foundational Stage' ? Explain any *three* frameworks which provide the rationale for early childhood development service provision in India.

Section—B

Note : Answer any *three* out of five questions.

4. Discuss *three* strategies that parents can use to promote oral language development of a two-year-old child. 10

5. Describe *three* play activities for three-year-olds to foster development in the cognitive domain. 10
6. What is emergent mathematics ? Discuss any *three* mathematical concepts that children develop during early childhood years. 10
7. What are the reasons for poor quality of ECCE services in our country ? 10
8. Differentiate play from stimulation, interaction and exploration, giving examples. 10

Section—C

9. Write notes on any *two* of the following :
2×5=10
 - (a) Role of emotionally safe environment in development of oral language
 - (b) Maintaining children's portfolio
 - (c) Significance of art activities in the curriculum
 - (d) Impact of social class on children's play

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