

QP Code: 23/PT/12/I

POST-GRADUATE COURSE
Term End Examination : June, 2023 / December, 2023
MASTER OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE
PAPER - I
INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION AND SOCIETY

Time : 4 hours

Full Marks : 100

(Weightage of Marks : 80%)

Special credit will be given for precise and correct answer. Marks will be deducted for spelling mistakes, untidiness and illegible handwriting. The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

GROUP - A

Answer any **two** of the following questions :

18 × 2 = 36

1. What is meant by 'Information Society' ? In this context discuss the ideas of Fritz Machlup. 8 + 10
2. State your idea on 'cost' and 'price' of information products and services. 9 + 9
3. Illustrate the features of 'Right to Information Bill, 2005'. How libraries are related to this bill ? 10 + 8
4. a) Define 'information' considering following concepts : 9 + 9
 - i) Information as thing
 - ii) Information as knowledge
 - iii) Information as resources
- b) Discuss various attributes of information.

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GROUP – B

Answer any **three** of the following questions : 12 × 3 = 36

5. Illustrate the history of 'human communication'. 12
6. Why is 'dissemination of information' essential ? Discuss the various library services through which information can be disseminated. 4 + 8
7. What is meant by 'information theory' ? Discuss its varieties related to communication. 4 + 8
8. State your idea on 'copyright'. Discuss the various issues that challenges copyright system. 4 + 8
9. How do you market information product and services ? Discuss. 12
10. Define data. How can data be represented ? Discuss. 2 + 10

GROUP – C

Answer any **four** of the following questions : 7 × 4 = 28

11. According to J. H. Shera, information is of six kinds. Discuss. 7
12. What do you mean by 'access to information' ? Discuss its various barriers. 7
13. Discuss the various 'forms of communication'. 7
14. What is 'sociology of knowledge' ? Discuss. 7
15. Illustrate the various aspects of 'Patent'. 7
16. Information technology ushers the inception of 'information society'. Discuss. 7
17. What are the sub-fields of information science ? Discuss. 7
18. Discuss the role of information in society. 7