

## **QUESTION PAPER 1: (MODEL EXAM ANSWER KEY)**

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### **1. Define Education (*3 marks*)**

- Education is a planned and organized way of learning.
  - It helps people gain knowledge, skills, values, and good habits.
  - It supports overall development—mind, body, emotions, and social behavior.
  - The goal is to help individuals become responsible and useful members of society.
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### **2. Mention any 2 contributions of Gandhiji (*3 marks*)**

#### **1. Basic Education (Buniyadi Shiksha)**

- ❖ **Learning by doing practical work:** Children learn not just from books but by doing hands-on activities. Example: making crafts, gardening, or spinning cotton.
- ❖ **Focus on self-reliance and useful skills (like farming, weaving, etc.):**
  - Education teaches children skills they can use in daily life.
  - Skills like farming, weaving, carpentry, etc., help them become independent.
  - It prepares them to earn a living in the future.
- ❖ **Respect for all types of work, including physical labor:** Gandhiji wanted children to respect manual work (like cleaning, farming). It removes the feeling that some work is “low” or “dirty.”
- ❖ **Education was connected to real-life needs:** Learning should help solve real problems in daily life. For example, knowing how to grow food or repair things.

#### **2. Nai Talim:** Promoted the idea of education through productive work, focusing on the head, heart, and hand. It encouraged holistic learning and moral values.

- ❖ **Education through productive work**
    - Students learn by doing useful work like farming, spinning, or craft-making.
    - Work is not separate from learning—it is part of the teaching process.
  - ❖ **Focus on head, heart, and hand**
    - **Head:** Develops thinking and knowledge.
    - **Heart:** Builds good values, emotions, and character.
    - **Hand:** Teaches practical skills and physical work.
  - ❖ **Holistic learning**
    - Learning includes mental, physical, and moral growth.
    - It doesn't focus only on passing exams but on becoming a good human being.
  - ❖ **Moral values and self-discipline**
    - Students are taught values like truth, honesty, non-violence, and hard work.
    - This makes them responsible and socially aware citizens.
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### **3. Blended Learning (3 marks)**

Blended learning is a modern educational method that integrates traditional face-to-face classroom teaching with online digital tools.

#### **1. Mix of classroom and online learning**

- Students learn through both face-to-face teaching and online lessons.
- Example: A teacher explains a topic in class, and students watch videos or do quizzes online at home.

#### **2. Flexible and self-paced**

- Students can learn at their own speed using online resources.
- They can pause, rewind, or rewatch videos if needed.

#### **3. More personalized learning**

- Different students can use different tools based on their learning style.
- It helps slow learners catch up and fast learners move ahead.

#### **4. More engaging**

- Using videos, games, and interactive tools makes learning more interesting.
  - It keeps students active and involved in their studies.
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### **4. Mention any 3 government agencies of education (3 marks)**

#### **1. Ministry of Education (MoE):**

- It is the main body of the Government of India that looks after education.
- It makes plans, policies, and rules for schools and colleges across the country.
- It works to improve the quality of education at all levels.

#### **2. NCERT (National Council of Educational Research and Training):** Develops school curriculum, textbooks, and teacher training programs.

- It creates textbooks and teaching materials for schools.
- It helps train teachers and improve how subjects are taught.
- It also does research to make learning better for students.

#### **3. UGC (University Grants Commission):** Regulates and promotes standards in higher education institutions.

- **UGC is a government-approved organization that works under the UGC Act, 1956.**
  - It works under the supervision of the government.
  - UGC gives **approval** to universities in India.
  - It checks if universities follow proper academic and administrative standards.
  - Provides Grants: UGC **funds** central, state, and deemed universities for development and research.
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## **5. Write a note on Tagore's Philosophy of Education (5 marks)**

Rabindranath Tagore viewed education as a means for self-realization and inner freedom.

- Tagore believed that education should help students understand themselves and grow from within.
- It should lead to **freedom of thought and creativity**, not just memorizing facts.
- He wanted children to learn in **open and natural environments** like gardens or under trees, not closed classrooms.
- Nature helps students become more curious, relaxed, and creative.
- Tagore felt that subjects like **music, dance, painting, and poetry** were just as important as science or math.
- Education should not feel like a burden. Students should **enjoy learning** and have the **freedom to explore** their interests.
- Along with knowledge, children should learn **good values, kindness, and appreciation of beauty**.

**Shantiniketan – His Model School:** He founded **Shantiniketan**, a school that followed all these ideas. It had a **flexible curriculum**, outdoor classes, music, art, and no strict exams.

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## **6. Write a note on Modes of Education (5 marks)**

**Modes of education** describe different forms through which learning occurs:

1. **Formal Education:** Structured, classroom-based learning provided by schools and universities.
  - Happens in schools, colleges, and universities.
  - Follows a fixed timetable, syllabus, and exams.
  - Taught by trained teachers in a structured way.
  - Example: Attending classes in a school.
2. **Informal Education:** Learning that occurs in daily life through experiences, family, and society.
  - Happens naturally in daily life.
  - No fixed place, time, or teacher.
  - Learned through family, friends, media, or experiences.
  - Example: Learning good manners at home or watching an educational video.
3. **Non-formal Education:** Organized educational activity outside formal institutions, like adult education and skill development programs.
  - Organized learning but **outside regular schools**.
  - Aimed at specific groups like adults, dropouts, or workers.
  - Example: Skill training, evening classes, yoga courses.

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## **7. Write a note on Education in 21st Century in India (5 marks)**

### **1. Digital Learning**

- Education is now available **online** through classes, mobile apps, and digital tools.
- **Smart classrooms** with computers and projectors make lessons more interactive.
- Students can **learn anytime, anywhere** using devices like phones, tablets, or computers.

### **2. Skill-Based Education**

- Focus on practical skills like communication, problem-solving, and job readiness.
- Focuses on teaching **practical skills** needed in daily life and jobs.
- Includes skills like **communication, critical thinking, teamwork**, problem-solving, and job readiness.
- Aims to prepare students for real-life work and careers.

### **3. Inclusive and Equal Education**

- Aims to **give equal learning chances** to **all students**, no matter where they come from.
- Helps **bridge the gap** between rich and poor, city and village, boys and girls.
- Makes sure that **children with disabilities** are also supported in school.

### **4. NEP 2020 (New Education Policy)**

- A new plan to improve the **whole education system** in India.
- Brings new changes to school and college systems.
- Focus on flexible subjects, fun learning, and better teacher training.
- Trains teachers better and allows students to **choose subjects they enjoy**.

### **5. STEM Focus**

- Special focus on **Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math** subjects.
  - Encourages **problem-solving, innovation, and tech skills**.
  - Helps students be ready for **future jobs** in a technology-driven world.
  - Helps students become innovative and tech-savvy for future jobs
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## **8. Write a note on Humanism (7 marks)**

### **Definition:**

Humanism is an educational approach that focuses on the **overall development** of a student – emotionally, socially, morally, and intellectually. It believes learning should be **joyful, meaningful, and student-centered**.

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### **Key Features of Humanism:**

#### **1. Student-Centered Learning**

- Learning is based on the student's **interest and curiosity**.
- Students take **responsibility** for their own learning.

#### **2. Focus on Personal Growth**

- Encourages **empathy, freedom, self-esteem, and confidence**.
- Supports emotional and social development.

#### **3. Role of Teacher as a Guide**

- **Teachers guide and support** students instead of just giving orders or strict instructions.
- They provide a **safe, open, and friendly** environment.

#### **4. Respect for Individual Differences**

- Classrooms are **caring and non-judgmental**.
- There is **no teasing, comparing, or criticizing** students for their ideas, background, or mistakes.
- Every student is allowed to **express themselves freely** without fear of being laughed at or punished.
- **Teachers listen** to students with **kindness and understanding**, not harsh judgment.
- Students are more willing to **share, explore, and learn** in such a caring environment.

#### **5. Lifelong Learning**

- Develops a **love for learning** that lasts beyond school.
- Encourages **independent thinking**.

#### **6. Encourages Creativity**

- Promotes **art, music, writing, and free expression**.

## 7. Prepares for Real Life

- Teaches students to be **flexible**, meaning they can adjust to different situations and changes in life.
  - It helps them become open-minded, so they respect other people's ideas, cultures, and opinions
  - Students learn to **solve real-world problems**, not just study for exams.
  - They gain **confidence** to make decisions and **face challenges calmly**.
  - It also teaches **compassion**, which means being **kind and helpful to others** in difficult times.
  - These skills help students become **good human beings** and succeed in personal and professional life
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## 9. Explain Organization of Special School and Inclusive School (*5 marks*)

### Special School:

- These schools are **only for children with disabilities**.
- They have a **special curriculum** made to suit the child's needs.
- Staff includes **special educators, therapists, and counselors** who are trained to support these students.
- The learning environment is **structured and supportive** for different types of disabilities.

### Inclusive School:

- These are **regular schools** where **children with and without disabilities learn together**.
  - They make sure **every child can learn, participate, and feel included**.
  - Use **different teaching methods** to match each student's ability.
  - Provide **tools and support** like audio books, speech software, or ramps.
  - Use differentiated instruction, assistive technology, and Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) help students reach their personal learning goals.
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## **10. Describe Briefly About Different Agencies of Education (5 marks)**

### **1. Family**

- The first and most important teacher in a child's life.
- Teaches the child how to talk, behave, and follow values.
- Helps in emotional and moral development.
- Passes on culture, traditions, and social skills.

### **2. School**

- A formal place for structured learning.
- Teaches subjects like language, math, science, etc.
- Helps in the development of discipline, teamwork, and thinking skills.
- Prepares students for higher studies and jobs.

### **3. Community**

- Learning happens from people and surroundings outside school and home.
- Involves neighbors, local leaders, and community events.
- Provides real-life lessons like cooperation, respect, and responsibility.
- Encourages active participation in society.

### **4. Media**

- Includes TV, radio, newspapers, internet, and social media.
- Spreads information quickly to large audiences.
- Helps students learn about current events, science, technology, and culture.
- A powerful tool for educational awareness and communication.

### **5. Government**

- Creates rules and policies for education.
- Runs organizations like Ministry of Education, NCERT, UGC, etc.
- Provides funding, teacher training, and learning materials.
- Ensures quality education and equal access for all.

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## **11. Discuss the Nature and Emerging Priorities of Education (7 marks)**

### **Nature of Education**

1. Lifelong –  
Education is not limited to school or college. We keep learning throughout our life, at any age.
2. Dynamic –  
Education changes with time, society, and technology. New ideas and methods are always added.
3. Holistic –  
It helps in the overall growth of a person—mental, emotional, physical, and moral.

**4. Takes Different Forms –**

Education can be formal (in schools), informal (at home or in daily life), or non-formal (like evening classes or workshops).

## **Emerging Priorities of Education**

### **1. Personalized Learning**

- Teaching is adapted to each student's needs, speed, and style of learning.
- Helps students learn in a way that suits them best.

### **2. Technology Integration**

- Use of tools like computers, smartboards, apps, Artificial Intelligence (AI), and online platforms.
- Makes learning more interactive and accessible.

### **3. Inclusive Education**

- Ensures that all children, including those with disabilities or from underprivileged backgrounds, learn together.
- Aims for equal opportunities and support for everyone.

### **4. Skill Development**

- Focuses on practical skills like communication, problem-solving, and vocational training.
- Encourages entrepreneurship and prepares students for real-life jobs.

### **5. Global Citizenship**

- Teaches students to be aware of global issues like climate change, peace, and diversity.
  - Promotes tolerance, responsibility, and teamwork across cultures.
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## QUESTION PAPER 2 (ANSWER KEY)

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### 1. Idealism (5 marks)

Idealism is a way of thinking that gives more importance to the **mind, thoughts, and ideas** than to physical things. It says that the **real world is shaped by our thoughts** and not just what we see or touch.

- It believes that **learning happens through thinking deeply** and using our mind, not just through our senses.
  - Focus on values like **truth, goodness, and beauty**.
  - In education, idealism encourages the **development of a student's mind and character**, helping them become better and more thoughtful people.
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### 2. Incheon Strategy (5 marks)

The Incheon Strategy is a regional plan for the Asia-Pacific region. The Incheon Strategy is a plan to make sure that people with disabilities are treated equally, live with dignity, and get the same opportunities as others in the Asia-Pacific region. It was adopted in 2012 by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP).

- ❖ It was started by the **United Nations ESCAP** (for Asia-Pacific countries).
  - ❖ The goal is to help **people with disabilities** live better and be included in society.
  - ❖ It supports the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.
  - ❖ It focuses on things like:
    - **Equal education** for all
    - **Better health services**
    - **Job opportunities** for people with disabilities
    - **Protection and support** for everyone
    - **Gender equality**
    - **Building strong and fair communities**
  - ❖ It wants to make sure **no one is left behind**, especially people with disabilities.
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### **3. Pre-Vocational Education (5 marks)**

Pre-vocational education is **basic job training** that helps students get ready for the **working world**, even before they choose a specific job or course.

- It helps students **explore different careers** and understand what kind of jobs they might like.
  - It teaches **practical skills** like using tools, basic computer work, communication, teamwork, etc.
  - It often includes **hands-on activities**, workshop practice, or simple projects.
  - It builds **confidence and interest** in work-related areas before students choose a specific career path.
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### **4. Formal, Informal & Non-Formal Education (5 marks)**

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### **5. Pragmatism vs. Humanism (5 marks)**

- ❖ **Pragmatism:**

- Pragmatism is a way of thinking that focuses on what **works in real life**.
- It believes that **knowledge is useful** only if it helps solve problems.
- In education, pragmatism supports **learning by doing**, experiments, and real-world applications.
- **Example:** A student learns science by doing lab experiments, not just reading.

❖ **Humanism:**

- Humanism gives importance to **human values, feelings, and individual growth**.
  - It focuses on making people **kind, confident, and responsible**.
  - In education, humanism encourages **empathy, respect, and personal development**.
  - *Example:* A teacher helps a student build self-esteem and understand others' feelings.
  - **Difference:** Pragmatism seeks problem-solving; Humanism seeks personal and ethical development.
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## 6. Formal Agencies of Education (5 marks)

Formal agencies of education are **official institutions** that provide **structured learning**. These places follow a **fixed syllabus**, have **qualified teachers**, and offer **certificates or degrees** after completing the course.

**Examples include:**

- **Schools** (Primary and Secondary)
- **Colleges and Universities**
- **Vocational Institutes** (for skill-based training)
- **Government-approved Training Centers**

These agencies:

- Use **regular classrooms and timetables**
  - Provide **systematic education**
  - Help students **get recognized qualifications**
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## 7. NGOs in Special Education (5 marks)

NGOs are **non-governmental organizations** that help children and people with **disabilities**.

- They work to **protect the rights** of people with special needs.
- They give **support and learning resources** to families and schools.
- They provide **assistive tools** like hearing aids, wheelchairs, or learning software.
- They also offer **early help** (early intervention) to children with disabilities.

**Examples:**

- **UNICEF** – supports inclusive education
  - **CBM (Christian Blind Mission)** – helps people with visual and other disabilities
  - **Local trusts and foundations** – run special schools or therapy cent
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## **8. Concept & Scope of Education (5 marks)**

**Concept of Education:**

- Education is a process of learning and growth.
- It helps people gain knowledge, skills, and values.
- It supports overall development—of the mind, character, and behaviour.

**Scope of Education:**

### **1 Personal Development**

- Education helps us think clearly, control emotions, and understand right and wrong.
- It builds our character and confidence.

### **2 Social Development**

- It teaches us how to get along with others.
- We learn good manners, teamwork, and how to live peacefully in society.

### **3 Economic Development**

- Education gives us skills to get a job.
- It helps us earn money and become financially independent.

### **4 Civic Development**

- It teaches us to be good citizens.
- We learn about rights, duties, and how to help our country and community.

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Education happens through formal (schools), informal (life experiences), and non-formal (training, workshops) ways. It shapes both individual lives and society as a whole.

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## **9. Duties/Responsibilities of Head of School (7 marks)**

- ❖ **Gives Vision and Leadership:** Guides the school with clear goals and values.
  - ❖ **Manages School Activities:** Looks after **teaching, staff, money, and buildings.**
  - ❖ **Improves Learning and Student Care:** Makes sure students **learn well** and are **happy and safe.**
  - ❖ **Creates an Inclusive School Environment:** Makes everyone feel **respected and accepted.**
  - ❖ **Follows and Implements Rules:** Applies **school policies** and helps **teachers grow.**
  - ❖ **Works with Parents and Staff:** Talks with **parents, teachers, and workers** to improve the school.
  - ❖ **Builds Good Community Relations:** Keeps a **strong connection with the local community.**
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## **10. Value Education: Role of Teachers & School (7 marks)**

### **Value Education:**

- Teaching students good values like respect, honesty, empathy, kindness, and responsibility.
  - Helps students become better human beings.
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### **Role of Teachers:**

1. **Show values by example** – Teachers behave in a kind and fair way.
  2. **Include values in lessons** – Add moral stories and meaningful activities.
  3. **Use discussions and stories** – To help students think deeply.
  4. **Encourage reflection and action** – Ask students to think and practice good behaviour.
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### **Role of the School:**

1. **Create a value-based environment** – Friendly and respectful school culture.
  2. **Organize assemblies and activities** – That focus on values like helping others.
  3. **Make value-friendly rules and policies** – So students learn what's right.
  4. **Give service opportunities** – Like charity work or group projects.
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## **11. RTE Act 2009 (India) (7 marks)**

The **Right to Education (RTE) Act, 2009** is a **law in India** that guarantees **free and compulsory education** to all children between the ages of **6 and 14 years**.

### **1. Free and Compulsory Education**

- Every child in India aged **6 to 14 years** must get **free and compulsory schooling**.

### **2. Equal Access for All**

- No child can be **denied admission** or treated unfairly.

### **3. Focus on Inclusion and Equality**

- The Act ensures **no discrimination** based on caste, religion, gender, or disability.

### **4. Good School Facilities**

- Schools must have **basic infrastructure** like classrooms, toilets, and clean water.

### **5. Proper Teacher-Student Ratio**

- Each class must have **enough teachers** so students get proper attention.

### **6. Qualified Teachers**

- Teachers must be **trained and certified** to ensure quality teaching.

### **7. Universal Elementary Education**

- The aim is to **educate all children** up to class 8 (elementary level) in every part of the country.
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