

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2023  
(First Semester)

Branch – JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

**REPORTING AND EDITING**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

**SECTION-A (5 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (5 x 1 = 5)

- 1 Development Journalism is
  - (i) Pro-capitalist
  - (ii) Neutral
  - (iii) Pro- Third world
  - (iv) Anti-Third world
- 2 Some stories that wrap similar events into a single story are called
  - (i) Multiple story
  - (ii) Round
  - (iii) Capital story
  - (iv) Sameincident story
- 3 The nodal agency of the Government to disseminate the information to the print media in Government policies:
  - (i) PIB
  - (ii) Doordharshan
  - (iii) Akashvani
  - (iv) Film Division
- 4 Leader writer is one who writes the \_\_\_\_\_
  - (i) Main story
  - (ii) Middle Piece
  - (iii) Editorial
  - (iv) Edit page article
- 5 Information about the publication of the newspaper such as editor, place of publication, printer, manager, press, etc. carried in the newspaper daily :
  - (i) Folioline
  - (ii) Imprint
  - (iii) Infoline
  - (iv) Byline

**SECTION - B (15 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 3 = 15)

- 6 a Basic human rights apply to criminals as well. Describe the moral implications of reporting crime stories.

OR

b Is objectivity a myth in modern reporting? Explain your answer with suitable examples.
- 7 a What are parliamentary privileges? What responsibilities does a reporter have when covering parliamentary proceedings?

OR

b "Today's newspapers claim that they are unbiased and objective" .Do you agree? Substantiate your argument.
- 8 a Does computer-assisted reporting improve newspaper quality? Discuss.

OR

b What are the duties of a subeditor?

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- 9 a Examine the significance of newspaper editorials.  
OR  
b Discuss how the approach to newspaper design should be communicative rather than decorative.
- 10 a Professionalism in the news media is a two-edged sword. Discuss using specific examples.  
OR  
b Examine journalist's difficulties when reporting on communal and political violence.

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 6 = 30)

- 11 a "A journalist is only as reliable as his or her news source." Explain how a reporter acquires news sources.  
OR  
b Accuracy, objectivity, and fairness should be the newspaper's defining characteristics. Discuss.
- 12 a Information extraction is a skill. To extract news from the source, beat reporters must be very competent. Explain the significance of beat reporting and news source cultivation.  
OR  
b Critically analyze the evolution of citizen journalism in India.
- 13 a How do you educate a cub reporter about the tactics, pitfalls, and challenges of conducting interviews as the bureau chief of a regional daily?  
OR  
b Reporters argue that editors frequently "mutilate their best work." Provide instances to substantiate the veracity of the assertion.
- 14 a Critically evaluate an editorial page of a newspaper of your choice.  
OR  
b Innovative headlines enhance the news report. Discuss and explain the fundamentals of headline writing.
- 15 a Discuss whether the Indian media, including the electronic media, should be made accountable to the public.  
OR  
b A new notion of reader's editor is on the horizon. What are your thoughts about it? Mention the advantages.

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