

POST-GRADUATE COURSE
Term End Examination — December, 2011

MLIS
(Preservation And Conservation of
Library materials)

Paper – VII-E1

Time : Four Hours

Full Marks : 100

(Weightage of Marks : 80%)

Special credit will be given for accuracy and relevance in the answer. Marks will be deducted for incorrect spelling, untidy work and illegible handwriting. The weightage for each question has been indicated in the margin.

GROUP – A

Answer any *two* questions : 18 × 2 = 36

1. Describe the important writing materials of early civilization. 18
2. Discuss about the various agents causing chemical deterioration to the library materials. 18
3. Explain different curative procedures, that are essential to restore the longevity of documents in a library. 18
4. Write an essay on digital preservation. 18

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GROUP – B

Answer any *three* questions : 12 × 3 = 36

5. Distinguish between the concepts 'preservation' and 'conservation'. What do you mean by preservation of the physical entity and the impression in this respect ? 3 + 9
6. What are the compositions and ingredients of paper documents ? What tasks are associated with processing of raw materials of paper ? 6 + 6
7. Enumerate different categories of non-book materials preserved in a library. 12
8. Describe the physical agents, that cause deterioration of library materials. 12
9. Discuss the pest control processes in the library. 12
10. Explain the different deacidification activities undertaken for the documents. 12

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GROUP – C

Write short notes on any *four* of the following :

$$7 \times 4 = 28$$

11. Microbiological agents
 12. Covering materials in binding
 13. Special kinds of papers
 14. Vacuum Fumigation
 15. Foxing
 16. Pastes and adhesives
 17. Tools of preservation unit.
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