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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**

(CBCSS)

Journalism and Mass Communication

MCJ 1C 02—REPORTING NEWS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. Write short notes on any *four* of the following. Each answer carries 2 weightage :

- a) News aggregator.
- b) Advocacy Journalism.
- c) Delayed-interest lead.
- d) Screamer headline.
- e) Backgrounder.
- f) Off-the record.
- g) Feature syndicate.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

II Write short essays on any *four* of the following. Each answer carries 3 weightage :

- a) Define source confidentiality. Why is it an essential component of reporting ?
- b) Describe how subjectivity and objectivity can be balanced in reporting.
- c) Discuss the key differences between writing news for print and broadcast media.
- d) Examine the role of news agencies in journalism.
- e) Discuss the problems with using social media as a news source.
- f) Discuss the various kinds of interviews used for gathering hard news.
- g) Describe the duties and functions of a parliamentary correspondent.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Turn over

III. Write long essays on any *two* of the following. Each answer carries 5 weightage :

- a) Critically analyse the challenges involved in reporting crime.
- b) Emphasize the critical issues surrounding developmental reporting in India.
- c) Attempt an essay explaining the news bureau's news management procedure.
- d) 'More diverse and inclusive newsrooms and coverage can provide better representation of societies'. Critically analyse the statement.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)