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First Semester Master of Communication and Journalism (MCJ) Degree (Reg./Suppl./Imp.) Examination, October 2018 (2016 Admn. Onwards)

MCJ 1C02: REPORTING FOR NEWS PAPERS

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

Instructions: 1) Answer Question I and four others.

2) All questions carry 12 marks.

- I. Write short notes on any four of the following:
 - 1) Mojo and sojo.
 - 2) Citizen journalism
 - 3) Running story
 - 4) Ombudsman
 - 5) Sidebar
 - 6) Nose for news.
- II. Comparatively evaluate the different news story structures. Which is the most commonly used structure for hard news? Discuss the changing styles of news writing in the dailies in the context of increasing popularity of television and internet as a medium of breaking news.
- III. Highlight the differences between hard news and soft news.
- IV. What are the functions of a lead ? Discuss the different types of lead giving specific examples.
- V. Does the end justify the means? Comment in the context of the ethical questions of sting journalism.

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- VI. If you were asked to interview V. S. Achutanandan for a newspaper in Kerala, how would you prepare for the interview ? Write ten questions you would ask him.
- VII. Write a short note on news agencies.
- VIII. Write a news story based on the information given below :

Chinese woman - a financial worker in a company-obsessed with playing the game 'Honour of kings' on her mobile phone - diagnosed with retinal arterial occlusion in her right eye-is in hospital - she went blind in one eye after a 24 hour gaming marathon-her eyesight dimmed gradually-then went dark completely-her parents had tried to persuade her to stop playing this game.