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Second Semester M.C.J. Degree Examination, July 2010 CJ 203: COMMUNICATION THEORIES (2009 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

Instructions: Answer Question No. 1 and any four others. All questions carry equal marks.

- I. Write short notes on any four of the following:
 - a) Spiral of silence
 - b) Spin doctors
 - c) Pragmatics
 - d) S-shaped curve of diffusion
 - e) Fritz heider
 - f) Cross media ownership
 - g) Mainstreaming.
- II. What is a theory? What makes some theories relevant across time and cultures? Answer in detail in the context of communication theories.
- III. Explain individuals' interaction with and response to media messages through the perspective of social relations.
- IV. Explain the potential of media in influencing the audience in the light of 'agenda-setting theory'.
- V. Trace the development of cultural imperialism theory and identify its central proposition and major weaknesses.
- VI. Discuss the various effects of communication at the level of individuals.
- VII. Critically assess the role of media as custodians of democracy in market driven economies.