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Paper I—ENGLISH

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Answer any **five** *questions of which* **three** *questions should be from Part A and* **two** *questions from Part B, including* **Question 8** *which is* **compulsory**.

Part A

1. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions each in a sentence or two :

   Health tourism is an important industry in Kerala, and thousands of foreign visitors come every year to its 'vaidyashalas'. These centres of ayurvedic medicine offer packages of treatment that promise not only to cure diseases such as arthritis and asthma, for which there are no cures in Western medicine, but also to reverse the aging process and make the body young again. Although ayurveda has been practised in India for more than 3000 years, it seems to have become specially popular in the West during the last 25 years. This is mainly due to the feeling that the strong drugs used in Western medicine have harmful effects on the body, although they cure many kinds of diseases. Kerala has been a major centre for ayurveda for hundreds of years. In fact, it is said that ayurveda is practised in its purest form in Kerala. Kerala's balanced climate and the abundance of forests, rich in medicinal plants and herbs, has encouraged the development of ayurveda. According to ayurveda, the body is controlled by three natural elements, known as 'vata', 'pita', and 'kapha'. The body is healthy when there is a balance between these elements; but when there is an excess of any element, the body shows signs of some disease. Ayurveda treats not just the affected part of the body, but the individual as a whole, by removing from the body, all toxic substances which cause disease.

   (i) Define the importance of health tourism in Kerala.

   (ii) What are the main treatments available in ayurveda ?

   (iii) Why is ayurveda so highly developed in Kerala ?

   (iv) How is ayurveda different from Western medicine ?

   (v) What is the basic principle on which ayurveda rests ?

   (5 × 2 = 10 marks)

   (b) Write a précis of the above passage in about one-third of its length.   (5 marks)

2. (a) Write the synonyms of the following words :—

   1 Gain.

   2 Calm.

Turn over

    3 War.

    4 Answer.

    5 Affectionate.

                     (5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(b) Write the antonyms of the following words :—

    1 Happiness.

    2 Wild.

    3 Lose.

    4 Beautiful.

    5 Remember.

                     (5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(c) Give one-word substitutes for the following :—

    1 A person who studies stars.

    2 A person who cures us when we are sick.

    3 A person who teaches in a school.

    4 A book of instructions.

    5 An illustrated travel booklet.

                     (5 × 1 = 5 marks)

3. (a) Rewrite the following sentences to form a meaningful paragraph :–

    1 Every state has its own special craft.

    2 For centuries India has been famous for its handicrafts.

    3 There are things made from ivory, rosewood, silver, gold and silk.

    4 Every town and city has its handicrafts .

    5 Apart from ornaments, craftsmen have always made simple everyday things.

                     (5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(b) Punctuate the following sentences :—

    1 caroline went to the fair yesterday

    2 renjith is ten years old

    3 the students take part in races track events and field events

    4 parents friends and visitors come along to the school

    5 there are twelve months in a week

                     (5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(c) Make notes of the following passage :—

There is a false idea that a man must live up to his position. It is said that one's house, furniture and dress should inform the world of one's rank. This idea is foolish. Throw it aside. Find out what you want, and spend money on that; find out what you do not care about, and spend nothing on such things. Find out by practical tests what you really want and enjoy. A man who has not experienced ups and downs, a man who has not been forced to live more cheaply than in former times, has still his education to begin.

(5 marks)

4. (a) Write a story from the following outline :—

Rich man eccentric - goes to town - wants to give a prize to the laziest man - reaches the beach-sees three beggars lying in the sun - offers a gold coin to the laziest - two beggars jump up to claim it - the third neither moves nor speaks - too lazy even to claim the prize - gets the prize.

(5 marks)

(b) Prepare a notice informing the students of the competitions to be held for the Onam celebrations in the College.

(5 marks)

(c) You are participating in a group discussion. The topic being discussed is :

"The importance of extra-curricular activities in the College campus".

Write down five sentences stating your views on the subject.

(5 marks)

5. (a) You are meeting an important personality at the Commonwealth Games. Introduce yourself in five sentences.

(5 marks)

(b) Supply messages/ greetings for the following :—

1   Farewell to a colleague.

2   On the birth of a child.

3   Someone loses a race.

4   When someone gets promoted.

5   On someone's death.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(c) Turn each of the following into polite requests :—

1   Open the door. (to a stranger in the train)

2   Send me a mail on this. (to a junior colleague at work)

Turn over

3   Lend me your camera for a day. (to your neighbour whom you don't know very well)

4   Give us notes on this topic, (to your teacher)

5   Buy me a drink, (to your friend)

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

Part B

6. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper regarding the bad condition of the roads.

Or

Write a letter to your father, requesting permission to join an excursion party from your class.

(5 marks)

7. (a) Write a speech in five sentences on "The importance of athletics".   (5 marks)

(b) Write a paragraph about the waste disposal in your residential association.   (5 marks)

(c) Ms. Radhika wants to reserve accommodation at a hotel. Write a conversation between her and the receptionist.

(5 marks)

8. Answer any *five* of the following :—

(a) Add prefixes to form the negatives of the following :—

1   satisfied.

2   similar.

3   successful.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(b) Give, the plural of :

1   monkey.

2   potato.

3   fly.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(c) Add suffixes to each of the following :—

1   advance.

2   achieve

3   service

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(d) Use the correct tense form of the word in brackets :

   1   When I (reach) the station, the train (leave).

   2   1 would like (meet) your friend.

   3   1 saw him (cross) the road.

                                                   (3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(e) Fill in with suitable prepositions :

   1   He has been absent ————— class.

   2   He was deprived ————— his titles.

   3   They protested ————— the new tax reforms.

                                                   (3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(f) Change the voice :

   1   Farmers do not cultivate wheat in Kerala.

   2   They asked the stranger to leave the meeting.

   3   We will discuss the matter later.

                                                   (3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(g) Change the following into Indirect speech :—

   1   He said, "I met her last year".

   2   "Drive as fast as you can", said the Minister.

   3   "What a delightful scene" said the tourist.

                                                   (3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(h) Correct the following sentences :—

   1   I asked her what was her problem.

   2   Both Suresh and Sreejith are brothers.

   3   My daughter is suffering front fever since Monday.

                                                   (3 × 1 = 3 marks)