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Paper I—ENGLISH

(2013 Admission onwards)

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 :

English education and English language have done immense goods to India, in spite of their glaring drawbacks. The notions of democracy and self-government are the born of English education. Those who fought and died for mother India's freedom were nursed in the cradle of English thought and culture. The West has made contribution to the East. The history of Europe has fired the hearts of our leaders. Our struggle for freedom has been inspired by the struggles for freedom in England, America and France. If our leaders were ignorant of English and if they had not studied this language, how could they have been inspired by these heroic struggles for freedom in other lands ? English, therefore, did us great good in the past and if properly studied will do immense good in future.

English is spoken throughout the world. For international contact our commerce and trade, for the development of our practical ideas, for the scientific studies, English-is indispensable "English is very rich in literature", our own literature has been made richer by this foreign language. It will really be a fatal day if we altogether forget Shakespeare, Milton, Keats and Shaw.

- (i) What are the greatest advantages of English education ?
- (ii) What were the precursors to Indian freedom struggle ?
- (iii) What is the present position of English language ?
- (iv) Who are the greatest masters of English literature ?
- (v) How far India is indebted to the West ?

(5 × 2 = 10 marks)

- (b) Write a precise of the above passage in about *one-third* of its length.

(1 × 5 = 5 marks)

Turn over

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

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| (i) Simple. | (ii) Humour. |
| (iii) Cheer. | (iv) Offer. |
| (v) Request. | |

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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

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| (i) Accept. | (ii) Cold. |
| (iii) Silent. | (iv) Live. |
| (v) Thin. | |

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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

- (i) A person who writes for newspapers or magazines.
- (ii) One who plays piano.
- (iii) The system of government where king rules the country.
- (iv) A hall in which audience sit to watch performance.
- (v) A person who writes drama.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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

- (i) Insect eating micro bats locate their prey using sound waves.
- (ii) Bats form the second largest order of mammals.
- (iii) It is known as echolocation.
- (iv) There are at least 1000 species of bats.
- (v) Fruit eating mega bats find food by sight and smell.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(b) Punctuate the following sentences :—

- (i) it was raining all day i remained indoors
- (ii) may i come in asked the girl in blue dress
- (iii) we will have chocolate candy and cookies
- (iv) what a fantastic performance she exclaimed
- (v) prevention is better than cure so says the proverb

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(c) Make notes of the following passage :—

Asians make up about 4 % of the British population. Of these, about one million are of Indian origin. Half a million are Pakistanis and 200000 are Bangladeshis. The major reason why there is a large asian minority in Britain is that the Indian sub-continent was until 1946 part of the british empire. So there are strong historical and cultural links between Britain and the subcontinent, in the 1950s and 60s, people from the subcontinent were encouraged to come and live in Britain because of the labour shortage.

(1 × 5 = 5 marks)

4. (a) Write a story from the following outline :—
 A young woman lost her only son..... approaches Buddha pleads to make him alive
 Buddha smiles Tells to bring mustard seeds from a home where no death took place
 search futile the woman accepts the death.
 (1 × 5 = 5 marks)
- (b) Prepare a notice to sensitise the students about the economic use of water due to its shortage on the campus.
 (1 × 5 = 5 marks)
- (c) You are taking part in a group discussion on the topic 'Health is wealth'. Write five sentences in favour of the argument.
 (1 × 5 = 5 marks)
5. (a) You are a volunteer for the World Cup Football and got a chance to meet Pele. Introduce yourself as a football enthusiast.
 (1 × 5 = 5 marks)
- (b) Expand the following :
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| (i) IOA. | (ii) FIFA. |
| (iii) UNO. | (iv) SAI. |
| (v) ICC. | |
- (5 × 1 = 5 marks)
- (c) Turn each of the following into polite requests :—
- Call me when you go for a movie (to your aunt).
 - Leave me alone (to a classmate).
 - Be careful on the pavement. (to a child).
 - Don't make noise. (to your cousin).
 - Show me the picture. (To your brother).

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

Part B

6. Write a leave application to your teacher as you are not well.
 Or
 Write a letter to your mother about the life in the university where you have joined for PG.
 (1 × 15 = 15 marks)
7. (a) Write a short speech in *five* sentences about Indian sports at present. (1 × 5 = 5 marks)
 (b) Write a paragraph about 'Kerala God's Own Country'. (1 × 5 = 5 marks)
 (c) Mrs. Shabnam wants to place orders for foldable chairs through phone. Write down the conversation between her and the agent.
 (1 × 5 = 5 marks)

Turn over

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

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

- (i) Perfect. (ii) Like.
(iii) Pleasant.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(b) Write the plural forms :—

- (i) Wife. (ii) Foot.
(iii) Hero.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

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

- (i) Enjoy. (ii) Loud.
(iii) Play.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

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

- (i) We (celebrate) Onam next week.
(ii) She (go) to church every day.
(iii) Teena (learn) French these days.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(e) Fill in with suitable prepositions :—

- (i) I want to meet you ——— the railway station.
(ii) Rahim lived ——— Delhi for one year.
(iii) I am proud ——— my mother.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(f) Change the voice :—

- (i) We'll arrange the programme at the community hall.
(ii) He bought a new pair of shoes.
(iii) The President gave away the Padma awards.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(g) Change the following into indirect speech :—

- (i) "Please bring me a car", said the baby.
(ii) "Is it over?" asked the teacher.
(iii) "I won't do it", said Anna.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

(h) Correct the following sentences :—

- (i) One of the student complained about this.
(ii) I did not purchased the purse.
(iii) My uncle has been living in Bombay since seven years.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)