

Roll No.

MEG–01

English Language Usage and Communication Skills

M. A. English (MEG–10)

First Year, Examination, 2017

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

Note : This paper is of **sixty (60)** marks containing **three (03)** sections A, B and C. Attempt the questions contained in these sections according to the detailed instructions given therein.

Section–A

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section ‘A’ contains four (04) long answer type questions of fifteen (15) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

1. What are the features of a good review ? Analyse the pitfalls that must be avoided while reviewing a book or article.
2. Write a detailed report on the annual sports day of your college.
3. What according to you, are the major challenges of handling e-Communications ? Discuss in detail.

4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Long years ago we made a trust with destiny, and now the time comes when we shall redeem our pledge, not wholly or in full measure, but very substantially. At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps, India will awake to life and freedom. A moment comes, which comes but rarely in history, when we step out from the old to the new, when an age ends, and when the soul of a nation, long suppressed, finds utterance. It is fitting that at this solemn moment we take the pledge of dedication to the service of India and her people and to the still larger cause of humanity.

At the dawn of history India started on her unending quest, and trackless centuries are filled with her striving and the grandeur of her success and her failures. Through good and ill fortune alike, she has never lost sight of that quest or forgotten the ideals which gave her strength. We end today a period of ill fortune and India discovers herself again. The achievement we celebrate today is but a step, an opening of opportunity, to the greater triumphs and achievements that await us. Are we brave enough and wise enough to grasp this opportunity and accept the challenge of the future ?

Freedom and power bring responsibility. That responsibility rests upon this Assembly, a sovereign body representing the sovereign people of India. Before the birth of freedom we have endured all the pains of labour and our hearts are heavy with the

memory of this sorrow. Some of those pains continue even now. Nevertheless, the past is over and it is the future that beckons to us now. That future is not one of ease or resting but of incessant striving so that we may fulfil the pledges we have so often taken and the one we shall take today. The service of India means the service of the millions who suffer. It means the ending of poverty and ignorance and disease and inequality of opportunity. The ambition of the greatest man of our generation has been to wipe every tear from every eye. That may be beyond us, but as long as there are tears and suffering, so long our work will not be over.

Questions :

- (i) In what does the “service of India” consist, according to the author ?
- (ii) What are the ideals which India has never forgotten ?
- (iii) Express in your own words :
 - (a) when the world sleeps.
 - (b) we take the pledge of dedication.
 - (c) at the dawn of history.
- (iv) Mention some of the responsibilities of freedom and power.
- (v) Quote the line that has a direct reference to Mahatma Gandhi.

Section-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section ‘B’ contains eight (08) short answer type questions of five (05) marks each. Learners are required to answer *four* (04) questions only.

1. What are the various methods of note making ?

2. Use the following phrases as subject, object and complement in sentences of your own :
 - (a) The apple of discord.
 - (b) Bad blood.
3. What are imperative sentences ? Give an example of :
 - (a) an Imperative sentence
 - (b) a Declarative sentence.
4. You witnessed a fire accident in a busy market place. As a reporter of the National Herald, Delhi, draft a report on the accident.
5. What is Communication ? Discuss business communication in brief.
6. Define Transitive and Intransitive verbs with suitable examples.
7. Define 'Concord' in brief and give examples of concord of Number and Concord of person.
8. Discuss Kinesics in brief.

Section-C

(Objective Type Questions)

Note : Section 'C' contains ten (10) objective type questions of one (01) mark each. All the questions of this section are compulsory.

Correct the following sentences :

1. Mumps are an infectious disease.
2. Slow and steady win the race.
3. He as well as I am guilty.
4. He, you and I have passed.
5. Five miles are a long way to walk.

Fill in the blanks with the correct option :

6. Five hundred rupees not a big amount for you. (is/are)
7. England piled up five hundred runs. (has/have)
8. Each one of us to live long. (want/wants)
9. “The Arabian Night” still very popular. (is/are)
10. A team of speakers been selected. (has/have)

