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Note : First 15 minutes are allotted for the candidates to read the question paper.

Instructions :

- i) This question paper is divided into four Sections — **A, B, C and D.**
- ii) All questions from all the Sections are compulsory.
- iii) Marks are indicated against each question.

SECTION - A

(Reading)

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

Destruction of forests has a major impact on the productivity of our crop lands. This happens in two ways. Soil erosion increases manifold and the soil literally gets washed away, leading to an accentuated cycle of floods

and droughts. But equally important is the impact of the shortage of firewood on the productivity of crop lands. When firewood becomes scarce, people begin to burn cowdung and crop wastes. In many places of our country, cowdung and crop wastes are the major sources of cooking energy. Consequently every part of the plant gets used and nothing goes back to the soil. Over a period of time, this nutrient drain affects crop productivity. In addition to this, the technology of the Green Revolution, the technology of growing high-yielding varieties on a limited diet of chemical fertilizers such as nitrogen, phosphates and potash. The total bio-mass production goes up and so does the drain of the nutrients from the soil.

- a) What are the two disadvantages of the destruction of forests ? 3
- b) What are the major sources of cooking energy ? 3
- c) What is the impact of the technology of the Green Revolution on the soil ? 3
- d) How can the soil be enriched ? 3
- e) i) Which word in the passage means 'effect' ? 1
- ii) Which word in the passage is opposite of 'minor' ? 1
- iii) What does the phrase 'bio-mass' mean in the passage ? 1

SECTION - B**(Writing)**

2. Write an article on any one of the following topics in about 100 – 150 words : 10
- a) India — an agricultural country
 - b) Ways and measures to eradicate dowry system
 - c) Free and fair print and electronic media — the need of the time.
3. Write a letter to the Editor of a national daily expressing your concern against unfair practices in competitive examinations. 10

OR

Write a letter to the Principal of your college requesting him to arrange cocurricular activities at regular intervals.

SECTION - C**(Grammar)**

4. Choose the correct option to answer the following questions : $5 \times 2 = 10$
- a) One who does not believe in the existence of God is called
 - i) theist
 - ii) devotee
 - iii) worshipper
 - iv) atheist.

b) The phrase 'act upon' means

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| i) to work hard | ii) to conduct |
| iii) to advise | iv) to follow suggestion. |

c) The synonym of 'controversy' is

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| i) fight | ii) agreement |
| iii) dispute | iv) resolution. |

d) The antonym of 'better' is

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| i) worse | ii) bad |
| iii) worst | iv) good. |

e) 'Sardar Patel was one of the greatest man of India.'

Which word in the sentence is an error ?

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| i) was | ii) man |
| iii) greatest | iv) one. |

5. a) Change any one of the following in indirect speech :

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- i) Sita said to Rita, "Are you well ?"
- ii) The shopkeeper said to me, "Do not stand in front of my shop".

- b) Combine any *one* of the following as directed : 2
- i) My friend is not intelligent. My friend is not diligent.
(Into Compound sentence)
- ii) The question is too difficult to solve.
(Into Complex sentence)
- c) Change any *one* of the following as directed : 2
- i) She did not help the poor man. (Into Passive voice)
- ii) Complete this work at once. (Into Passive voice)
- d) Correct any *one* of the following sentences : 2
- i) My hair is black
- ii) Rich men should help the poors.
- e) Use any *one* of the following pairs of words in your own sentences to make the difference in their meanings clear : 2
- i) Complement — Compliment
- ii) Fair — Fare.

[Turn over

6. Translate the following passage into English :

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भूख और इंसान का रिश्ता जन्म से होता है । जन्म के साथ ही मनुष्य अपनी भूख भी साथ लेकर आता है । भूख किसी भी व्यक्ति के जीवित रहने का प्रमाण है । लेकिन यह भूख हवस का रूप लेने लगे, तो चिन्ता का कारण बनने लगती है । किसी की बेइंतहा लालच, दूसरों की मुसीबत का सबब बन जाती है । भूख और भुखमरी असमानता की सूचक है ।

SECTION - D

(Literature)

7. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each :

4 + 4 = 8

- a) Why did the peddler consider the world as a rattrap ?

OR

What did M. Hamel say about language and its importance ?

- b) Why did children in Seemapuri stay barefoot ?

OR

What are the hazards of working in the glass bangle industry ?

8. Answer any *one* of the following in about 80 words :

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- a) How did Douglas succeed in overcoming his fear of water ?
b) What made the peddler, ultimately, change his ways ?

9. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions that follow :

3 × 2 = 6

'Far far from gusty waves these children's faces.

Like rootless weeds, the hair torn round their pallor.

The tall girl with her weighed-down head.

The paper seeming boy, with rat's eyes.

The stunted, unlucky heir of twisted bones,

Reciting a father's gnarled disease, his lesson from his desk.

At back of the dim class, one unnoted, sweet and young.

- a) Who are far, far from gusty waves ?
 - b) What does the poet mean by 'The tall girl with her weighed-down head' ?
 - c) How are the eyes of paper seeming boy ?
10. Write the central idea of any one of the following poems :
- a) A Thing of Beauty
 - b) My Mother at Sixty-six
 - c) Keeping Quiet.

11. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each : 4 + 4 = 8

- a) What was the astrologer's prediction about the tiger king's death ?

OR

What was the third level ? Where was it situated ?

- b) What had Sam written in his letter to Charley ?

OR

How did Dr. Sadao operate the white man ?

12. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 80 words : 7

- a) Who was the Tiger King ? Why was he named as the 'Tiger King' ?
- b) Why did Jack insist that it was the wizard that was hit and not the mother ?

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