

J-321

B.Com. (Part-III) Examination, 2021

(Foundation Course)

Paper - II

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Minimum Pass Marks : 25

Note : Attempt all questions. Internal choices have been given in each unit. Marks have been indicated against each question.

Unit-I

- Q. 1.** Attempt any three of the following questions in about 200 words : **3×5=15**
- (a) Write a summary of the short story – "Death of a Clerk" in your own words.
 - (b) Why could the shepherd-boy sit on the judgement seat of Vikramaditya and not the King ?
 - (c) Write an essay on Rationalistic religion.
 - (d) How are basic human needs and quality of life inter-related ?

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- (e) Write a summary of the essay – "The New Economic Policy".

Unit-II

- Q. 2.** Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 300 words : **10**
- (a) Women's Safety : Awareness and Solutions.
 - (b) Decreasing Air Quality and Ecological Conservation.
 - (c) Democracy and Corruption.
 - (d) Games and Sports in Chhattisgarh.

Unit-III

- Q. 3.** Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title to it : **10**

The youths do have ample time and energy at their disposal. They can use this spare time to uplift the society. There are so many social institutions where volunteers work selflessly. They work hard to remove social evils from their surroundings. They try hard to educate the masses. They teach the custom of hygiene to the poor villagers. They persuade the villagers to give up evil practices such as child marriages,

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dowry, casteism, illiteracy etc. They work against untouchability and oppression. In this way there is plenty of scope for social services. Our youths have enough time to come close to society and work wonderful things for betterment of the whole nation.

Unit-IV

- Q. 4.** (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below : **5**

India is chiefly an agricultural country. The cultivation of crops depend on proper supply of water throughout the year. Since older times large parts of our country have suffered from periods of heavy rainfalls alternating with periods of drought. People have known that if surplus water of the floods can be stored away for use in the fields during the dry seasons; the problem would be solved. Unfortunately they have had neither the knowledge nor the resources to do much in this regard. What they knew, they have tried to put into practice. They dug

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canals to carry away excess water from the great rivers. This was heavy and expensive work and practicable over only limited area. Large tanks were excavated or small dams were built to hold or hold back-floods. But it has not been possible to do anything on a countrywide scale.

Questions :

- (i) How has our country suffered since olden times ?
 - (ii) What have our people known to avoid this suffering ?
 - (iii) What have they been doing regarding this matter ?
 - (iv) Why have they not been able to do much ?
 - (v) Why it is important to manage the water supply in country like India ?
- (b) (i) Give antonyms of any five : **5**
Faithful, Reveal, Just, Assurance, Benignancy, Superiority, Decision.

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- (ii) Give synonyms of any five : **5**
Handicap, Evasion, Clever, Wise,
Abundance, Development, Crafty

Unit-V

Q. 5. Do as directed (any twenty five) : **25**

(a) Choose the correct word :

- (1) His behaviour at the party was _____,
to say at least. (Contemptuous,
Contemptible)
- (2) I am afraid the project is far too
expensive to be _____. (Practical,
Practicable)
- (3) The legal termination of life is a very
_____ issue in India. (emotional,
emotive)

(b) Make antonyms of given words by putting
suitable prefixes before them :

- (4) a(n) _____ believable story.
- (5) an _____ logical answer.
- (6) barred to _____ members.

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(c) Put a correct collective noun in blank of
following sentences :

- (7) The US President occupied a _____ of
rooms at the hotel.
- (8) He bought a large _____ of banana.
- (9) In spring _____ of birds arrive in India
after spending their time in Russia.
- (10) Let us play a game. Who has got a
_____ of cards ?

(d) Put in each blank space a noun made from
adjective given in brackets :

- (11) Chhattisgarh has great mineral _____
(wealth).
- (12) Please tell me the _____ (true)
- (13) _____ is one of the world's greatest
problems. (poor)
- (14) He was a very thoughtful, philosophical
person. A man of great _____. (wise)

(e) Complete the following conditional sentences :

- (15) If you don't visit me soon _____.
- (16) If I had known he was here _____.

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(17) If the Ganga overflowed its banks
_____.

(18) Unless someone tells me the way
_____.

(f) Fill in the blanks with modal verbs suitable
for meaning given in brackets :

(19) We _____ aim at noble goals
(Desirability)

(20) She _____ tell her father whole truth.
(Absence of courage)

(21) _____ he be so foolish to behave like
this ? (possibility)

(g) Put into reported speech :

(22) Are you enjoying yourself ?

(23) Does your car always make such nasty
noise ?

(24) Do not stand there doing nothing !

(25) Are your shoes cleaned yet ?

(h) Change the voice of given sentences :

(26) Did the noise frighten you ?

(27) The car was started with great difficulty.

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(28) I was struck by her horrid look.

(29) She should love someone to take her
out to dinner.

(30) Somebody must have taken it while I
was out.
