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General English

(Subject Code : 02)

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APD(M)-JONG

Full Marks : 100

Time : 3 hours

*The figures against each question indicate marks
allotted for that question*

Answer **all** questions as directed

1. Write an essay on any one of the following topics : 20

(a) Television

(b) Village life

(c) Environmental pollution

(d) Your favourite season

2. (a) Write a letter to the SP of your town,
complaining against the behaviour of a
policeman on traffic duty in your
locality. 10

Or

Write a letter to the Postmaster of your
village that the parcel you sent to your
brother a fortnight ago has not been
delivered to him.

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(2)

Or

Write a letter to the Chairman of the Municipal Corporation of your town, complaining of the insanitary condition of the colony in which you live and asking him to take necessary steps in the matter.

(b) You are Mr. XY Verma, the SP of your town. Write a demi-official letter to Mr. AX Sharma, the Officer-in-Charge of a local police station, to search for a history-sheeter suspected to be hiding in his territorial jurisdiction.

Or

You are Mr. ABC, the Executive Officer of the Municipal Corporation of your town. Draft a demi-official letter to be served to Mr. XYZ, a clerk in your office, who has not been disposing off a particular file lying with him for the last one month. You are required to seek his explanation for the delay.

Or

You are Mr. PQR, the Mukhia of your village Gram Panchayat. During the summer most of the wells of your village dry up. Write a demi-official letter to Mr. STU, the BDO of your Block, to release funds so that the scarcity of water in your village could be solved by making some alternative arrangements.

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(5)

5. Make a précis of the following passage in about one-third of its original length. Also give a suitable title to it :

15+5=20

There were no tears in the King's eyes. He looked at all his courtiers with great affection, but his mind was made up. He took off his royal robes and dropped them gently on the ground. The Chief Minister picked them up tenderly and kissed them and sobbed like a child. Then the King took off his crown and held it in his hands. He raised his eyes to heaven and said, "O God, I give back to Thee the gift of kingship which Thou had bestowed upon me. I love my subjects, but I love humanity more." Then he addressed his courtiers and said, "My friends, I go into the forest to pray for the rest of my life in order to find peace of mind. I sincerely hope that he whom you choose as your next king will be just and merciful. One day I'll return to you, not as your king but as your servant, the servant of all human beings." He dropped the crown, which rolled down the steps of the throne. In perfect silence he walked out the hall.

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3. (a) Fill up the blanks with appropriate prepositions : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (i) What is the time — your watch?
- (ii) I have an umbrella — my head.
- (iii) He is good — studies.
- (iv) I have a pen to write —.
- (v) I invited him — tea.

(b) Turn the following sentences into passive voice : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (i) Children are flying kites.
- (ii) Do cats catch mice?
- (iii) Sita was writing a letter to her father.
- (iv) You will have heard this news already.
- (v) Post this letter.

(c) Fill up the blanks with suitable articles : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (i) I watched — boy helping — old man across — road.
- (ii) Give me — one-rupee note please.
- (iii) He is — SP by rank.

- (d) Rewrite the following passage, using punctuation marks and capital letters wherever required : 10

he said to me please take your seat here
oh how glad i am to see you why do you
look so sad is there anything i can do
for you you can certainly count upon me
i need not assure you

4. (a) Make sentences with the following phrases so as to clearly bring out their meanings : 1×5=5

- (i) by leaps and bounds
- (ii) for good
- (iii) in a fix
- (iv) out of one's wits
- (v) through thick and thin

- (b) Make sentences with the following pairs of words so as to clearly bring out the meaning of each word : 2×5=10

- (i) altar; alter
- (ii) stationery; stationary
- (iii) ascent; assent
- (iv) confident; confidant
- (v) naughty; knotty