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B.A. /B.Sc. (General) 2nd Semester

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ENGLISH (Compulsory)

(For B.A. only & Shastri 2nd Semester)

Time Allowed : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 45

Note :- (1) Write neatly and legibly.

(2) **ALL** the questions are compulsory.

(3) Attempt all the parts of a question together.

SECTION-A

I. Explain the following with reference to the context [**one** from (a) and **one** from (b)] :

(a) Ah, love, let us be true

To one another ! for the world, which seems

To lie before us like a land of dreams,

So various, so beautiful, so new,

Hath really neither joy, nor love, nor light,

Nor certitude, nor peace, nor help for pain

OR

The pallor of girls' brows shall be their pall;

Their flowers the tenderness of patient minds,

And each slow dusk a drawing-room of blinds

(b) You know even less about men than we do. The lift serves as a good machine for ignoring the people in your building; the car, for ignoring people who travel in buses ; the telephone for avoiding seeing people's faces or entering their homes.

OR

There is nothing which adds so much to the beauty of the countryside as water, be it just a little stream trickling over the rocks or a little pond by the wayside where the cattle quench their thirst of an evening.

5×2=10

II. Answer any **five** of the following questions in 50-60 words each :

- (i) Do you find the tenant's response justifiable ? Give your reasons. (Telephone Conversation)
- (ii) What is the "self-confession" that the speaker makes ? (Telephone Conversation)
- (iii) What is the appearance of the world ? How is the world in reality ? (Dover Beach)
- (iv) What is the state of the tide ? What is the effect of the moon on the straits ? (Dover Beach)
- (v) How is "the unknown citizen " identified ? Why does the "State" erect a monument for him ? (The Unknown Citizen)
- (vi) What various things does "The Unknown Citizen" do to be considered "a saint" ?
- (vii) What elements comprise a homage to the dead soldiers ? (Anthem For Doomed Youth)

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III. Answer any **two** questions in 100-120 words each :

- (i) Describe the system of education presented in "*Letter To A Teacher*".
- (ii) What are the normal investments ? How is the author's investment different ? (The Best Investment I Ever Made)
- (iii) What is soil-erosion ? What is the connection between soil-erosion, afforestation and conservation of water ?

(The Elixir of Life)

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SECTION-B

- IV. Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to take his studies seriously.

OR

Write a letter to your father, giving him your impressions of college life.

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- V. Do as directed :

- (i) She said to him, " I prefer death to dishonour."
(Change the narration).
- (ii) The river abounds _____ fish. (Preposition)
- (iii) Snobs feel superior _____ others. (Preposition)
- (iv) He got up early _____ he should miss the train.
(Conjunction)
- (v) Give synonyms of any **two** of the following :
- (a) Contrary
- (b) Complexion
- (c) Prominent

1×5=5

- VI. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :
- The underlying secret of a lamp's lustre and splendour is that it spares not its wick and oil. The wick and oil or the little self is being constantly consumed and glory is the natural consequence. There it is, the lamp says, spare your life and you will be immediately extinguished. If you seek ease and comfort for your bodies and waste your time in sensual pleasures and luxury, there is no hope for you. Inactivity, in other words, would bring death to you, and activity and activity alone is life. Look at the stagnant pool and the running stream. The crystal water of the rustling river is ever fresh, clear, drinkable and attractive. But on the other hand, see how disgusting, odorous, filthy, dirty, stinking and stenching is the water of the stagnant pool.

Questions :

- (i) What is the underlying secret of a lamp's lustre ?
- (ii) What will be the result if the lamp spares itself ?
- (iii) What is the result of seeking a life of ease and comfort ?
- (iv) Which water is fresh and clear and which dirty and stinking ?
- (v) Give antonyms of the following :
 - (a) Stagnant
 - (b) Activity.

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VII. Translate any four sentences into English :

- (i) मैं उसे अच्छी तरह जानता हूँ।
- (ii) मेरी उससे बोलचाल तक नहीं है।
- (iii) मैं थक कर चूर हो गया हूँ।
- (iv) सुबह से बूढ़ाबांटी हो रही है।
- (v) हम उधार नहीं बेचते।
- (vi) दूसरों में दोष मत निकालो।

OR

- (i) ਮੈਂ ਉਸਨੂੰ ਚੰਗੀ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਜਾਣਦਾ ਹਾਂ।
- (ii) ਮੇਰੀ ਉਸਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਬੋਲਚਾਲ ਤੱਕ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ।
- (iii) ਮੈਂ ਥੱਕ ਕੇ ਚੂਰ ਹੋ ਗਿਆ ਹਾਂ।
- (iv) ਸਵੇਰ ਤੋਂ ਬੁੰਦਾਬਾਂਦੀ ਹੋ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ।
- (v) ਅਸੀਂ ਉਧਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਬੇਚਦੇ।
- (vi) ਦੂਜਿਆਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਦੋਸ਼ ਨਾ ਕੱਢੋ।

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OR

(For Foreign Students)

Write a paragraph on any one in 100 words :

- (a) Haste makes Waste
- (b) A Stitch in Time Saves Nine

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