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ENGLISH LANGUAGE – I

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Total No. of Questions : 10

(Printed Pages : 7)

Maximum Marks : 80

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- The question paper is divided into **four** Sections – **A, B, C, D**. **All the Sections are compulsory.**
  - Begin the answers to **each** main question on a **fresh** page.
  - Write the numbers of the questions and sub-questions correctly. Marks are indicated to the **right**.
  - Do not** exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.
  - Main questions are to be answered sequentially.

SECTION – A  
(Reading Skills)

1. Read the following passage carefully :

Among the natural resources which can be called upon in national plans for development, possibly the most important is human labour. Without a productive labour force, including effective leadership and intelligent middle management, no amount of foreign assistance or of natural wealth can ensure successful development and modernisation.

In this, one essential factor is usually overlooked or ignored. The forgotten factor is the role of women. Development will be handicapped as long as women remain second-class citizens, uneducated, without any voice in family or community decisions, without legal or economic status, married when they are still practically children and thenceforth producing one baby after another, often only to see half of them die before they are of school age. We can enhance development by giving women the opportunity to develop themselves.



The principle seems established that an educated mother has healthier and more intelligent children and that this is related to the fact that she has fewer children. The tendency of educated upper-class mothers to have fewer children operates even without access to contraceptive services as was noted in Western Europe before the turn of the century.

Until women are given the opportunity to become 'separate and complete human beings', their own potential for productivity is wasted. Until they become 'separate and complete human beings', they will perpetuate in their children those characteristics which are least conducive to development. Viewed in this light, the education of women and the improvement of their social and economic status become more than the focus of an emotional crusade for human rights. They must be acknowledged as a prerequisite to national development and given a high priority for strictly practical reasons.

**(275 words) (Source : C. S. - July 2017)**

- A) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions in complete sentences of **10 – 15 words each**. **[4]**
- a) What can ensure successful development and modernization of a nation ?
  - b) Which is the factor usually overlooked or ignored in the national plans for development ?
  - c) How can development of a nation be enhanced ?
  - d) What has become more than the focus of an emotional crusade for human rights ?
- B) Choose the correct meaning of the word given below, from the alternatives provided : **[1]**
- i) enhance
    - a) improve the strength of something
    - b) add more ideas and suggestion
    - c) fence around a given area
    - d) none of the above
  - ii) perpetuate **[1]**
    - a) forever and eternal
    - b) related to the same family
    - c) cause something to continue
    - d) particular about details



C) The alternatives provided are words from the passage. Select the alternative that best matches the meaning given below :

i) device or drug intended to prevent pregnancy [1]

a) modernisation

b) contraceptive

c) status

d) conducive

ii) determined attempt to achieve something that you believe in strongly. [1]

a) labour

b) handicapped

c) access

d) crusade

2. Read the following passage carefully :

Of all the known high fibre foods and herbs, psyllium husk is undoubtedly a hero. The psyllium husk which is commonly known as 'isabgol' is sourced from the outer covering of the seeds of the plant-Plantago ovata, Isabgol refers to the shape of the seed.

Psyllium has several characteristics that boost digestive health. Psyllium is a soluble fibre that helps relieve constipation through its bulk - forming power. When this husk comes in contact with water, it swells and forms a gelatin - like mass that pushes along waste through the intestines. "It is this quality that makes psyllium effective in treating constipation as well as diarrhoea. Therefore, it is especially useful for geriatric patients and also to treat those with the irritable bowel syndrome, piles and other intestinal problems," says Dr. Kamala Krishnaswamy, Food Scientist and former Director, National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad. Psyllium is heart – healthy too as the fibre content helps lower total cholesterol and bad cholesterol. This is due to the balance of soluble and insoluble fibre and the presence of galacturonic acid. (177 words)



- A) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, give it a suitable title and write the para-wise topics and sub-topics using the format given below. Use only meaningful phrases. Do not write sentences. [5]

Title \_\_\_\_\_

I) \_\_\_\_\_

II) \_\_\_\_\_

A) \_\_\_\_\_

B) \_\_\_\_\_

- B) Write a summary of the above passage in about **60** words using the topic sentences of the paragraphs. [3]

#### SECTION – B

#### (Writing Skills)

3. Attempt **any one** of the following : [3]

You are Zoya/Zafar Kadar, the Secretary of the Science Club of St. Edward Higher Secondary School, Assolna. Write a notice for the school notice board encouraging and inviting students to participate in the Inter Higher Secondary School Science Exhibition to be held next week in a neighbouring school. (about **30 – 40** words).

OR

Your name is Shemena / Satish Salve of Ananda Nagar, Alto - Porvorim. Your younger brother, a student of Class XII is weak in Science and Mathematics. You want to engage a tutor for him. Draft an advertisement to be published in the classified columns of a local newspaper giving all relevant details. Email : salve@yahoo.com. Contact Ph. No. 9458732901. (about **30 – 40** words).



4. Attempt **any one** of the following : [5]

Your school recently inaugurated its new computer wing, constructed with generous grants from the State Government and other benefactors. Write a report for your school magazine on the programme organised by the school on this occasion. you are Snehalata / Roque Silveira, General Secretary of St. Peter Higher Secondary School, Carmona. (about **70 – 80** words).

OR

As a Staff Reporter for a local daily you attended a seminar on 'Pleasure of Eye-Donation', organised by the young members of the Rotary Club of Margao. Write a report of this seminar to be published in the newspaper. (about **70 – 80** words)

5. Attempt **any one** of the following : [8]

Continuous digging of the roads for developmental work in your locality has caused a lot of inconvenience to you and the people living in that area. Write a letter to the Chief Executive Engineer, PWD, Vasco-Goa complaining about the excavation and ongoing work in the area. You are Lovelina/Louis Lazarus of Green Meadows, Dabolim, Vasco-Goa.

OR

As a young student you feel concerned about the gradual decay of historical monuments and heritage sites in Goa. Write a letter to the Editor of The Times of India, Goa, describing the condition, that these historical monuments and heritage sites are facing and suggest some steps as to how these can be maintained. You are Sachin / Anjali Borkar, Abade Faria Road, Margao, Goa.

6. Write an essay of about **200 – 250** words on **any** of the following topics : [10]

- a) Role of Youth in preservation of Environment
- b) Effect of technology on relationships
- c) A memorable trip taken by you.
- d) Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.
- e) If there was no electricity for a day.





2) Sometimes I feel myself I can hardly bear  
The thought of so much childish longing in vain,  
The sadness that lurks near the open window there,  
That waits all day in almost open prayer.

- a) Name and explain the figure of speech in the third line.
- b) What do the people wait and pray for ?

B) Answer the following questions in about **25 – 30 words each** : **[4]**

- 1) According to Keats, how do beautiful things have a positive effect on human beings ?
- 2) What difficulty does Aunt Jennifer face while making her tigers on the panel ?

9. Answer **any six** of the following questions in about **25 – 30 words each** : **[12]**

- a) Why did M. Hamel explain everything with so much patience, according to Franz ?
- b) Describe the living conditions in Firozabad.
- c) How did William O. Douglas develop an aversion to water when he was in it ?
- d) Why did the peddler agree to go with Edla to the manor house ?
- e) Why did Gandhi disregard the order to leave Champaran ?
- f) Who was a Communist according to the people at Gemini Studios ?
- g) Umberto Eco considered himself an academic scholar rather than a novelist. Why ?

10. Answer **any three** of the following questions in about **50 – 60 words** : **[12]**

- a) Do you think Sam's letter to Charley was a genuine one from the year 1894 ? Give reasons.
- b) Suggest a different ending to the story, "Tiger King".
- c) 'Dr. Sadao's domestic staff decided to leave his house. Explain. Why ?
- d) Both Mr. Lamb and Derry had much to suffer yet Derry was worst affected. Explain.
- e) 'Memories of Childhood' focuses on social and moral issues prevalent in society. What are the various issues dealt with in the lesson ?