B.Com. (Hons.)/B.Com./ B.Sc.
(Part-I) Examination, 2015
(Compulsory Paper)
GENERAL ENGLISH

Time Allowed : Three Hours **Maximum Marks : 50**

SECTION-A (खण्ड–अ)

1 Answer the following questions in one sentence each :

(i) Who became the victim of Kala Nag' in the story 'The Mark of Vishnu'?

(ii) Which items were found to be missing from Barin Bhowmick's luggage after the journey ?

(iii) What is the name of the bull in the story 'Drought'?

(iv) Which car did the old lady's husband own ? (Photograph)

(v) Where did Ganga find Gomti after she ran away from him ?

(vi) What was the make of Barin Bhowmick's watch ?

(vii) Which river is responsible for the fertility of soil in Egypt ?

(viii) What is the full form of PURA ? (A Vision for 2020)

(ix) Write the name of the n[illegible]ory 'The Death of a Hero'.

(x) What time did the clock in the old lady's room show ? (Photograph)

1×10=10

2 Answer the following questions in 20-30 words each :

(i) Why was the narrator annoyed to hear Gangu's decision to marry Gomti ?

(ii) How did Barin Bhowmick recognize his fellow passenger ?

(iii) What was Gafur's reaction when he was called by the 'Master'?

(iv) Low did Kala Nag escape in the end ? 2.5×4=10

3 Answer the following questions in 100 words each :

(i) What are the methods suggested for preserving water ?

(ii) Which five key areas have been identified for integrated action in order to realize a developed India by 2020? 5×2=10

4 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

When we are young, we learn that tigers and sharks are dangerous animals. We might be scared of them because they are big and powerful. As we get older, however, we learn that sometimes the most dangerous animals are also the smallest animals. In fact, the animal that kills the most people every year is one that you have probably killed yourself many times: the mosquito. While it may seem that all mosquitoes are biters, this is not actually the case. Male mosquitoes eat plant nectar. On the other hand, female mosquitoes feed on animal blood. They need this blood to live and produce eggs. When a female mosquito bites a human being, it transmits a small amount of saliva into the blood. This saliva may or may not contain a deadly disease. The result of the bite, can be as minor as an itchy bump or as serious as death.

(a) Answer the following questions :

(i) Why are children scared of tigers and sharks?

(ii) What do male mosquitoes eat?

(iii) Why do female mosquitoes need to feed on animal blood ?

(iv) Which animal kills the largest number of people in the world?

(v) What can be the result of a mosquito bite? 2×5=10

(b) Match the words in column A with their correct meaning in column B-

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Column A	Column B
(i) nectar	(i) watery liquid in mouth
(ii) transmit	(ii) causing irritation on skin
(iii) saliva	(iii) frightened
(iv) itchy	(iv) a sugary fluid secreted within flowers
(v) scared	(v) pass on from one to another

2×5=10

5 Answer the following questions as directed (any five) -

(a) Use correct form of the verb given in the bracket (any two):

(i) He ____(get)up early in the morning.

(ii) She ____ (study) English for two years before she ____ (come) to our school.

(iii) He ____ (take) a bath when the telephone rang.

(iv) We _____ (read) this book since last Sunday.

(v) The old man ____ (die) of cold last night.

(b) Change the following into Passive Voice (any two)

(i) The manager granted me permission.

(ii) They looked after the girl.

(iii) Get me a glass of water.

(iv) We have a lot of work to do.

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(v) It is time to stop the work.

(c) Change the following into Indirect Speech (any two)

(i) My father said, "Honesty is the best policy."

(ii) "Can you explain the word to me ?" he said to me.

(iii) "What a beautiful girl Mita is!" I said.

(iv) "Go and get me a piece of paper," I said to him.

(v) "Are you a medical student?" I asked Shivani.

(d) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions (any two)

(i) He ran ——— the road.

(ii) The Municipality built a wall ____ the park.

(iii) There was an argument _____ the two girls.

(iv) He died ——— Heart attack.

(v) She will return the book _____ a week.

(e) Fill in the blanks with appropriate determiners(any two)

(i) They were bored because there was _____ to do.

(ii) _____ of the cakes had been baked the day before.

(iii) I like many of her songs, but not ___ of them are good.

(iv) We invited _____ friends over to our house for dinner.

(v) The teacher gave ____ of the students a piece of paper.

(f) Make sentences using the following phrasal verbs : (any two)

(i) Deal with (ii) Carry on

(iii) Back out (iv) Take down

(v) Get up 2×5=10

6 Draft a Curriculum Vitae (CV) to be attached with the application for the post of Software Engineer in Wipro Computers , Mumbai. 10

OR

Write a paragraph of about 150 words on any one of the following :

(a) Women Empowerment

(b) Educational Tour

(c) General Elections in India. 10

7 Write a letter to the Editor of the local newspaper about the problem of loudspeakers during night time. 10

OR

Prepare a report of a road accident you witnessed. 10

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