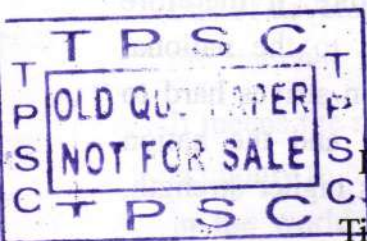


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ENGLISH

Full Marks – 100

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Write an essay on any *one* of the following (in not more than 1200 words) developing the ideas logically with proper introduction, narration, illustration and conclusion.

(a) Role of Judiciary in democracy

(b) Internet as virtual library. 5+10+3+2=20

2. Make a precis of the following passage : 15

Nations are built by the imagination and untiring enthusiastic efforts of generations. One generation transfers the fruits of its toil to another, which then takes forward the mission.

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As the coming generation also has its dreams and aspirations for the nation's future, it therefore adds something from its side to the national vision which the next generation strives hard to achieve. This process goes on and the nation climbs steps of glory and gains higher strength.

Any organization, society, or even a nation without a vision is like a ship cruising on the high seas without any aim or direction. It is the clarity of national vision which constantly drives the people towards the goal.

Our last generation, the glorious generation of freedom fighters led by Mahatma Gandhi and many others, set for the nation a vision of free India.

This was the first vision set by the people for the nation. It, therefore, went deep into the minds and hearts of the masses and soon became the great inspiring and driving force of the people to collectively plunge into the struggle for freedom.

The unified dedicated efforts of the people from every walk of life won freedom for the country. The next generation has put India strongly on the path of economic, agricultural and technological

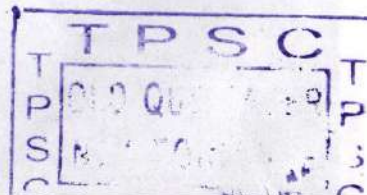
development. But India has stood too long in the line of developing nations. Let us collectively, set the national vision of developed India.

It means the major transformation of our national economy to make it one of the largest economies in the world; where the countrymen live well above the poverty line, their education and health is of a high standard, national security is reasonably assured and the core competence in certain major areas gets enhanced significantly so that the production of quality goods, including exports, rises and brings all-around prosperity for the countrymen.

3. Write a dialogue between an auto-rickshaw driver and a traffic police who charged the former with overtaking a car and hurting a pedestrian. 10

Or

Prepare a dialogue between you and the Postmaster, Agartala Head Post Office complaining about the unusual delay in the delivery of a parcel which your elder brother sent to you from Mumbai by Speed Post.



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

It may be asked, "In what respect do speeches differ from pamphlet or magazine article?" There is an essential difference. Speech has a human element lacking in the written word, because speech is communication between the speaker and his audience face to face. This fact should be ever present to the speaker's mind both when preparing and delivering the speech. People addressed each other by word of mouth long before they wrote. Speech, therefore, is more primitive and human than written matter. Public speaking not only admits but demands characteristics which would be blemishes in compositions intended to be read. The attention of the audience must be held, arguments repeated, and free use made of analogies and illustrations. For this reason good speakers are often bad writers, while good writers are rarely effective speakers. A speech is a transitory, evanescent, episodic production depending for its immediate effect not only upon the matter but upon the delivery which enables the great speaker to sway his hearers. From their point of view personality is the thing

that counts for most. In written compositions it stands for little or nothing. The quality of the written word is the only thing that matters. The author may be repulsive but he is invisible. He looks at you only through the printed page. The speaker is judged by what he is or what he appears to be. No man can achieve wide distinction as a speaker unless he can impress an audience face to face. This is the acid test of oratory, high or low. This is how the speaker makes his reputation.

- (a) What, according to the author, is the difference between speech and written communication ?
- (b) Why does the author say that speech is more primitive and human than written matter ?
- (c) How does the author argue that the good speakers are often bad writers ?
- (d) What, according to the passage, matters most in written communication ?
- (e) How can a man achieve wide distinction as a speaker ?

3×5=15

5. Write a letter to the Editor of a local English newspaper expressing your views on the growing fondness of playing computer games among the teenagers. 10

Or

Write a letter to the Officer-in-Charge of the local police station for arrangement of patrolling of the roads of your locality during night.

6. Amplify the idea contained in any *one* of the following : 10×1=10

(i) Prosperity brings friends, adversity tries them.

(ii) Justice delayed is justice denied.

7. Frame meaningful sentences with any *three* of the following : 2×3=6

Alimony, Adjudication, Bench , Plaintiff, Parole, Prima facie.

8. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :

(i) Arun met me — my way home and I asked him to meet me — the office.

(ii) She is greatly appreciated — her skill — acting.

(iii) You must apologize — him — what you have done.

(iv) He is dependent — me and I have to look — him. 1×4=4

9. (a) Split the clauses in the following sentences :

When he realized that the serious mistake which he had made might damage the national unity, he apologized. 3

- (b) Join the following into a complex sentence.

(i) You may agree.

(ii) You may refuse.

(iii) I shall certainly try to win.

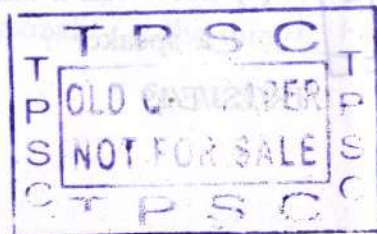
(iv) My honour depends on it. 3

10. Correct the errors, if any, in the following :

1×4=4

(i) The majority of labourers is demanding an increase in wages.

(ii) It is the duty of every right thinking citizen to try to make the whole world a happier place to live.



(iii) The teacher asked the students to open page 10.

(iv) The manager of the bank was busy, so he asked the customer to come and see him between two to three in the afternoon.

