

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 100

Note : 1. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

2. Clearly mention the options you attempt.

3. The candidates must not disclose their identity or personal details in any manner, any where in the answer book.

4. Begin new question on a new page.

1. Write an essay in about 300 words on **any one** of the following : 25
- (a) Social networking for nation-building.
  - (b) Dwindling water resources : Challenges and solutions
  - (c) Peer-pressure : a boon or a curse ?
  - (d) Relevance of Gandhian ideology today
2. Make a precis of the following passage to the one-third of its length and suggest a suitable title to it. 15

When we talk of the economic development, we conveniently forget the native spirit and temperament of our motherland. Human feelings have no place in our policies. Every now and then our leaders call upon the people to work hard and join hands in the process of development. What is strange about them is that it is only these people that instigate our humble workers to go on strikes. We know our forefathers have taught us to lead the life performing duties. We must therefore follow the path laid by our forefathers. If the economy of our country is to prosper, obviously, all of us will have to work hard and work sincerely. This is the real service to the nation.

Obviously, we all can serve our nation in so many ways and are not required to go to borders. We can serve our nation by saving oil, water and electricity, by protecting the ecology and bio-diversity, by voting, by paying taxes, by following the traffic rules, by showing loyalty to our nation. Thus, we can all contribute to the development of our motherland.

3. (A) As the co-ordinating member of the 'Disaster Management Team' you have assessed the condition of a flood affected area. Write a report, with your findings and recommendations, to the Chairperson of the Disaster Management Commission. 20

OR

(B) As an authorised dealer of 'Creative Products Ltd.', draft a letter to the sales department complaining about the deteriorating quality of the products of the company.

4. Translate the following passage into Gujarati : 20

Human beings are curious and inquisitive by nature. They like to explore things and places around them. During the entire evolutionary journey of humankind, people loved to travel, to explore and seek adventure. People still love to travel, explore and seek adventure, but not out of some compulsion to ensure their survival, rather, for leisure and fun.

This distinct nature of human being has paved the way for the development of a full-fledged service industry in the form of tourism around the globe and India is no exception to this. Rather, India has for ages captivated and ruled the imagination and thoughts of travellers and adventure-seekers, philosophers, traders etc. so much so that it was no exaggeration when our beautiful country was quoted as follows : "India is the cradle of human-race, the birth-place of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legend and the great-grandmother of tradition. The most valuable and most artistic materials in the history of man are treasured up in India only." In terms of the tourism potential, India is the epitome of the world. No single country of the world has been endowed with such diversity and as varied geographical and climatic conditions as is India.

5. (a) Fill in the blanks using correct forms of verbs given in the brackets : 5

- (1) I \_\_\_\_\_ here since 2001. (live)
- (2) When \_\_\_\_\_ you last \_\_\_\_\_ him ? (see)
- (3) When the phone rang, I \_\_\_\_\_ a bath. (have)
- (4) By the end of the term, he \_\_\_\_\_ us to speak English. (teach)
- (5) Please wait, I \_\_\_\_\_ . (come)

(b) Change the voice of the following sentences : 5

- (1) Has anybody done all the work ?
- (2) You must account for every penny.
- (3) He was chosen leader.
- (4) Who gave you this book ?
- (5) Let's solve this problem.

(c) Turn the following dialogue into indirect narration : 5

"Keep quiet," said the mother to the child. "Don't repeat the same thing again and again."

"But listen to me at least once. I have something very important to say," said the child.

"You always come with excuses. Don't you ?" said the mother angrily.

"If you don't listen to me, how can you know the truth ? It was bhaiya who did it and not I," said the child innocently.

"OK, you need not tell me that. I knew it." mother left smiling.

(d) Give meaning of the following idioms/phrases and use them in meaningful sentences : 3

- (1) To look into
- (2) To turn a blind eye
- (3) To call a spade a spade

(e) Do as directed : 2

- (1) Gentle (Give Synonym)
  - (2) Habit (Give Synonym)
  - (3) Neutral (Give Antonym)
  - (4) Capable of destroying bacteria. (Give one word substitute)
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