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B. Sc. EXAMINATION

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ENGLISH-II

CXL-201

Language Skills Compulsory Course-II

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Attempt all questions.

1. Briefly answer these questions :

(i) What will be the consequences of atomic war ?

✓ (ii) Why did Fred Hoyle want his mother to change his school ?

✓ (iii) How did Dr. Bernard get interested in heart surgery ?

- (iv) Explain the principle of graded inequality.
- (v) How would be post modern wars fought ?
- (vi) What does the writer say about mortality of females ?
- (vii) How can we make our civilisation greatest and more lasting ?
- (viii) Why, according to Dr. Narlikar, teachers in India schools discourage the asking of question to them by students ?
- (ix) How did the white people in South Africa suffer because of apartheid ?
- (x) What three barriers does Ambedkar talk of in Hindu Society ? 10×2=

2. (a) Explain with reference to the context.
- War becomes just a game or an exercise even if it begins as a struggle fought for understandable aims. Symmetry and reciprocity disappear. One can produce death as one produces spark plugs or computer chips. No one feels the pain.

automobile parts of electronic circuits. So we venture forth into the darkness of the 21st century, the terrorists to one side of us, mechanization and its inhuman potential on the other.

Or

In many societies the ownership of property can also be unequal. Even basic assets such as homes and land may be very asymmetrically shared. The absence of claims to property cannot only reduce the voice of women, but also make it harder for women to enter and flourish in commercial, economic and even some social activities. This type of inequality has existed in most parts of the world, though there are also local variations.

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- (b) Read the following passage and answer the questions given at the end :

To me it has a totally unacceptable situation because my father was a

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missionary and I grew up amongst the non-white people of the country. To us it was quite usual to have non-white people in our house; they had tea with us and had dinner with us. My father, being a very religious man thought that apartheid was against the teaching of God. He said to me many times after the National Party got into power : "You know when they asked God what the most important commandment was, God said, 'You must love God with your heart and soul.' And the second one, equal to that, was 'You must love your neighbour as yourself when you practice these discriminations ?'"

Questions :

- (i) Who is the speaker of these lines ?
- (ii) What was totally unacceptable situation ?
- (iii) What was the speaker's father ?
How did the speaker grew up ?

- (iv) What did the speaker's father think about apartheid ?
- (v) What did he argue against the practice of racial segregation ?
- (vi) Use 'discriminate' into your own sentence.
- (vii) Give antonym of 'usual'.

Or

Untouchability will vanish only when the whole of the Hindu Social Order, particularly the caste system will be dissolved. Is this possible ? Every institution is sustained by some sort of a sanction. There are three kinds of sanction which supply life force to an institution. They are legal, social and religious. The vitality of the institution depends upon the nature of the sanction. What is the nature of the sanction behind caste system ? Unfortunately, the sanction behind the caste system is the religious

sanction. I say unfortunately because anything which has a religious sanction becomes by virtue of it sacred and eternal, to the Hindu, caste is sacred and caste is eternal. If caste cannot disappear what hope is there for untouchability to disappear.

Questions :

- (i) Name the essay and its author.
- (ii) What kind of sanction makes caste system sacred and eternal ?
- (iii) How will untouchability vanish ?
- (iv) Name three kind of sanctions ?
- (v) Make a sentence using the phrase 'by virtue of'.
- (vi) What is the antonym of the word 'eternal' ?
- (vii) Give the synonym of the word 'sacred'.

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3. What steps does Narlikar suggest to encourage curiosity, creativity and originality in our education system ?

Or

What are the major advantages and defects of our civilisation according to C.E.M. Joad ? 15

4. (a) Translate the following passage into Hindi :

The behaviour of young boys is the subject of comment all over the world. Particularly distressing is the manifestation of insulting conduct towards school and college going girls in university towns. While no condemnation can be too severe for such ungentlemanly conduct wherever it may take place, a general enquiry is called for to look into the causes that have lead to this kind of behaviour. Lack of reverence for women is only an offshoot from a larger evil. The real tragedy is surely the complete lack of self-discipline evident in the behaviour of these youngsters. The lack of control needs to be dealt with broadly

before we can hope to see improvement in its narrower aspect. We all know that the best way to teach a child anything is by example. But cases of young children who misbehave prove too clearly that many parents and teachers undoubtedly fail calamitously in their duty. 7.5

Or

For Non-Hindi Speaking/Foreign candidates only :

Read the passage given below and answer the questions at the end :

Habit of idleness once firmly fixed cannot be suddenly thrown off. The man who was wasted the precious hours of life's seedtime finds that he cannot really harvest life's autumn. Lost wealth may be replaced by industry, lost knowledge by study, lost health by medicine, but lost time is gone forever. In the long list of excuses for the neglect of duty there

is none, which drops from the lips of men than the want of leisure. People are always cheating themselves with the idea that they would do this or that desirable thing if only they had time. It is thus that the lazy and the selfish excuse themselves from the thousands of things which conscience dictates to be done. Who are the men who have done most for their own and the general good ? They are the people who are in ceaseless activity from January to December.

(150 words)

Questions :

- (i) What does the man who has wasted his seedtime find in his life's autumn ?
- (ii) Can lost time be regained ?
- (iii) Why do some people put forward the excuse of want of leisure ?
- (iv) What do lazy people do ?

(v) Who are the men who have done most for their own and the general good ? 7.5

(b) Make a précis of the following passage and give a suitable title :

Men of action like Napoleon and Frederick the great had no high opinion of history holding it to be composed of falsehoods. It is recorded that when Frederick wanted his secretary to read history to him, he would say 'Bring me my liar'. And it is indeed obvious to those who observe the course of contemporary events that the task of the historian who wishes to give a true account of things is almost super-human in its difficulty. That is presumably why the best histories are about the distant past, though, even, there, the writer has to be aware of introducing his modern prejudice into the fabric of his account.

The nationalist who reads Indian history easily recognises the bias in the history of his country as conceived by the Englishmen. But there has been the danger in more recent times of the pendulum swinging to the other extreme. What is really wanted today is different orientation towards history. In stead of scrappy histories of dynasties and wars that hold the field, what is required, is a history of the people as a whole which will go for its sources not only to historical documents but to literature, folklore and the arts. This means an extensive study of the Indian languages and their older forms.

Emphasis on the importance of describing the social and cultural life of the past is significant of the approach to history which brings it nearer to life by describing the economic and social forces that motivated history.

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5. Write a letter to the Deputy Commissioner complaining about encroachments made by house owners on roads and streets.

Or

Write a letter to the Editor regarding the problem of mobile addiction in youth. **15**