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*Note :* First 15 minutes are allotted for the candidates to read the question paper.

*Instructions :*

- i) This question paper is divided into four Sections — **A, B, C** and **D**.
- ii) All questions from all the Sections are compulsory.
- iii) Marks are indicated against each question.

**SECTION - A**

**( Reading )**

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

We become conscious of our weakness the moment we are placed in some responsible position. We then try to prove equal to the task. If we

are ever tempted to go astray, it is this thought which prevents us from doing so. Does the editor ever care to weigh his words when he launches his fiery denunciation day in and day out against the government ? But let him have a seat in the cabinet. No one is so thoughtful, so wise, so farsighted as he. Or take the case of a young man. How reckless and irresponsible he is ! But let him marry and have children. The same wild youth is now transformed into a sober and grave householder.

- a) What does the writer want to convey through the passage ? 3
- b) What is the meaning of the expression "*To prove equal to the task*" ? 3
- c) What changes a reckless youth into a sober and grave householder ? 3
- d) What change do you find in the editor when once he gets a seat in the cabinet ? 3
- e) i) Which word in the passage is the opposite of 'responsible' ? 1
- ii) What does the word 'to go astray' mean in the passage ? 1
- iii) Which word in the passage means 'aware of' ? 1

**SECTION - B****( Writing )**

2. Write an article on any one of the following topics in about 100 - 150 words : 10
- a) Early rising
  - b) Health is wealth
  - c) Your plan for future.
3. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper about frequent breakdown of electricity in your locality. 10

OR

Write a letter to the Principal of your collage to grant you full fee concession.

**SECTION - C****( Grammar )**

4. Choose the correct option to answer the following questions :  $5 \times 2 = 10$
- a) A foreigner who settles in a country is called
- i) Immigrant
  - ii) Emigrant
  - iii) Alien
  - iv) Visitor.

- b) To die in harness means
- i) premeditated murder
  - ~~ii)~~ dying young in an accident
  - iii) to die while in service
  - iv) to be taken by surprise.
- c) The synonym of 'Diligent' is
- i) Intelligent
  - ii) Energetic
  - iii) Modest
  - ~~iv)~~ Industrious.
- d) Cattles are grazing in the field.
- Which word in the sentence is an 'error' ?
- ~~i)~~ cattles
  - ii) are
  - iii) in
  - iv) the.
- e) The antonym of 'inevitable' is
- ~~i)~~ Avoidable
  - ii) Unnecessary
  - iii) Inseparable
  - iv) Uncertain.

3. a) Change any *one* of the following in indirect speech : 2
- i) He said to me, "Can you spare some money for me ?"
  - ii) The teacher said to the boys, "Do not make a noise in the class".
- b) Combine any *one* of the following as directed : 2
- i) Her husband died. She heard the news. She fainted.  
( Into Simple sentence )
  - ii) Some people die for some noble cause. They are honoured by everyone.  
( Into Complex sentence )
- c) Change any *one* of the following as directed : 2
- i) Did you see him yesterday ? ( Into Passive voice )
  - ii) Tulsidas was one of the greatest poets.  
( Into Positive degree )
- d) Correct any *one* of the following sentences : 2
- i) Milk is preferable than tea.
  - ii) He has received a letter yesterday.
- e) Use any *one* of the following pairs of words in your own sentences to make the difference in their meanings clear : 2
- i) Stationary — Stationery
  - ii) Sight — Site.

6. Translate the following passage into English :

भारत एक कृषि प्रधान देश है । यदि यहाँ पढ़े-लिखे लोग खेती की ओर ध्यान दें, तो हम लोगों की गरीबी दूर हो सकती है । हमारे गाँव में सुधार की जरूरत है । शिक्षित व्यक्ति जब गाँव में रहने लगेंगे, तो उन गाँवों का सामाजिक जीवन बिल्कुल बदल जायेगा । स्कूल की पढ़ाई पूरी करके इन दिनों हर एक विद्यार्थी विश्वविद्यालय में प्रवेश लेना चाहता है । यह धारणा उचित नहीं है । विद्यार्थियों को इन विषयों पर ठीक से विचार करना चाहिए, तभी वे साहस के साथ भविष्य का सामना कर सकेंगे ।

### SECTION - D

#### ( Literature )

7. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each :

4 + 4 = 8

a) What does Mukesh want to become in life ?

OR

What did the author think when he was drowning in deep water ?

b) From where did the peddler get the idea of the world being a rattrap ?

OR

What did Gandhi do after knowing the miserable condition of the farmers at Champaran ?

8. Answer any *one* of the following in about 80 words :

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- a) What was the contribution of the ordinary people to the freedom movement ?
- b) "The story 'Rattrap' is a mixture of entertainment and philosophy." Explain.

9. Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions that follow :

 $3 \times 2 = 6$ 

Perhaps the Earth can teach us

as when everything seems dead

and later proves to be alive.

Now I'll count up to twelve

and you keep quiet and I will go.

- a) What lesson does the Earth teach us ?
- b) What remains alive when everything seems to be dead ?
- c) What does the poet ask us to do ?

10. Write the central idea of any *one* of the following poems :

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- a) A Thing of Beauty
- b) My Mother at Sixty-six
- c) Keeping Quiet.

11. Answer the following questions in about 40 words each : 4 + 4 = 8

a) Why could Charley never again find "The Third Level" ?

OR

What prediction was made at the Tiger king's birth ?

b) How is Antarctica the perfect place to study environmental changes ?

OR

Why was Sadao sent to America ?

12. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 80 words : 7

a) Describe Antarctica in your own words on the basis of the lesson 'Journey to the end of the Earth'.

b) Write about the outcome of Charley's quest for the third level at Grand Central Station.

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