B.A. LL.B., (Hons) DEGREE FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, NOVEMBER 2016

GENERAL ENGLISH-I

Time: 3 Hours   **Maximum Marks: 50**

I. Correct the following sentences if necessary   (5 x ½ = 2 ½)

(a). A good number of students has passed.

(b). One should do his duty to his country.

(c). We can see what appears to be tall trees?

(d). The advances of science have bought many benefits.

(e). He attended the wedding with his family members.

II. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of the verbs given in brackets.   (5 x ½ = 2 ½)

(a). How………. (dare) he say such things to you?.

(b). Since he …. (have) jaundice last year, he …… (not feel) very well.

(c). By the time we ………. (reach) the station, it ………(stop) raining.

(d). The intruder ……………… (catch) by the police as he (leave) the premises.

(e). Our term ……… (start) at the beginning of the month, so we decide ………. (decide) to complete the admission fast.

III. Add a suitable main clause to the following conditional clauses.   (5 x 1=5)

(a). If you get a chance to speak to him……………………

(b). If he had learned his lesson property……………………

(c). If your documents are in order……………………………

(d). Unless you make an earnest effort……………………..

(e). Had I met him on the way………...

V. Rewrite in indirect speech.   (5 x1=5)

(a). "I was taking attendance then," My friend said.

(b). He said, " Where shall we meet tomorrow?."

(c). "You did not go home yesterday, did you?," the teacher asked him.

(d). "Is the flight delayed?" the lady asked the superintendent.

(e). He said, "Have you analysed all aspects of it? But I exhort you to be cautious."

VI. Answer <u>ANY TWO</u> of the following in <u>SIXTY</u> words. (2 x 5 =10)

(a). What according to Russell is illogical about the notion of Sin?

(b). How does Russell satirize the Sabbath taboo among Catholics, Protestants and Jews?

(c). Why does Russell think that the pleasures of power cause more harm than sensual pleasures?

(d). How did Dr. Price react to the invention of the lightning rod by Dr. Franklin ?

VII. Write an essay in about 300 words on <u>ANY ONE</u> of the following. (1 x 10=10)

(a). Russell's view on the retrograde influence of conservative morality and ethics and the corrective relevance of rational thinking.

(b). Russell's evaluation of Socrates, Aristotle, Buddha and Nietzsche as Philosophers

VIII. Write an essay in about 300 words on <u>ANY ONE</u> of the following. (1 x 10=10)

(a). The corrective role of the Judiciary in a Democracy

(b). Gender Equality in the Indian Context

(c). Secular values in the Global Scenario.

IX. Write a précis of the following passage **(5 marks)**

It is generally admitted that climate exercises a great influence on man and his activities. It directly affects his health, energy and productive efficiency. People of the temperate zones are found to be most active in body and mind. They work harder and are more enterprising than tropical people. The types of crops in a region and the possibility of their variation all depend on climate. The types of crops is often a guide to the kind of economic activity in a country. Further, the rise, development and location of industries, in some cases are determined by the climatic condition, Thus cotton mills cluster together in regions with a humid atmosphere whereas flour mills need a dry climate. The vagaries of climate cause serious dislocation in economic activity. Excessive rainfall causes floods and damage to crops. Deficiency of rain leads to sever droughts, crop failures and famine. Heavy snowfall often renders railway routes and roads temporarily impassable and low temperatures block rivers and seas with ice. The Baltic countries and North Russia suffer from such handicaps. many social customs, habits and traditions can be traced to the influence of climate. Early marriages in tropical countries are attributed to the climate factor. Styles in architecture and even the mode of dress change with climate.

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