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ENGLISH

Marks:80

Duration:2 Hours

Instructions : All questions are compulsory.
: Figures to the right indicate full marks

- Q.1 A. Rewrite the following sentences correctly : 05
1. money / me? / how / give / can / much / you
 2. the / was / that / authority / curbed / king / annoyed / his / was
 3. strike / opportunity / the / wait / I/ to / right / for / will
 4. are harmless/to people/ most bats.
 5. an/ has/ important/ music/ place/ our/ in/ lives

- Q.1 B. Spot the errors and write the sentences correctly: 10
- 1.The woman which works here is from Japan.
 - 2.She's married with a dentist.
 - 3.Although it was raining, but we had the picnic
 - 4.My flight departs in 5:00 am
 - 5.You cannot buy all what you like !
 6. How many childrens you have?
 7. You are very nice, as your mother.
 8. They cooked the dinner themself.
 9. We drive usually to home
 10. She is one of the most intelligent woman in our company.

- Q. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it: 15
- Incredible it may seem, while the percentage of literacy in India has been going up, the number of illiterates has also been increasing. Thus, according to the 1966 figures, there were 353 million illiterates in the country- 20 million more than in 1961. During the same period the percentage of literacy went up from 24 to 29 per cent. The explanation for this paradox lies in the rapid growth of population which has outpaced whatever little progress has been achieved in literacy. For instance, from 1951 to 1961, literacy increased at an average rate of 0.7 per cent while the country's population grew by 2.15 per cent every year. But the population explosion is not entirely responsible for the growing number of illiteracies. The apathy of most States in failing to tackle the problem of adult literacy is also partly to blame. Till now, they have shown little awareness of the magnitude of the problem. Moreover, follow up measures to prevent neo-literates from relapsing into literacy are just as important as the initial adult literacy campaigns. Here too, the States Education authorities have been negligent. Not sufficient provision has been made for 'continued education'. This can be done by setting up more rural libraries, adult schools and correspondence courses.

- i) Percentage of literacy in 1961 was (1)
 a) 5 b)19 c)20 d)24 e)29
- ii) The number of illiterates in 1961 was : (1)
 a)20 million b)333 million c) 353 million d) 373 million e) cannot say
- iii) According to the passage, during the period 1951 to 1961 literacy increased every year (1)
 by
 a) 0.7 percent b) 2.15 percent c)5 percent d) 7percent e)21.5 percent
- iv) What is the paradox referred to in the passage? (1)
 a) The number of illiterates and the percentage of literacy have both increased.
 b) The number of literates has increased while the percentage of literacy has gone down
 c) While the number of literates decreased the percentage of literacy has increased.
 d) The number of literates and the percentage of literacy have both decreased.
- v) How does the passage explain the paradox ? (1)
 a) Growth of population has stopped progress of literacy.
 b) Population increased rapidly.
 c) No follow up measure were taken for continued education.
 d) Growth of population has been faster than progress of literacy.
 e) The passage gives more than one reason to explain the paradox.
- vi) What is meant by neo literate? (1)
 a) Non literate b) A little literate c) Newly become literate
 d) Would be literate e) A literate with no formal education
- vii) According to the passage, the problem could have been tackled by (1)
 a) checking the population growth
 b) preventing the neo literates from relapsing into illiteracy
 c) preventing adult literacy campaigns.
 d) (a),(b),and (c) above.
 e) (a) and(b) above
- viii) Which of the following is as important as the literacy campaign? (1)
 a) Prevention of neo-literates from relapsing into illiteracy.
 b) Awareness of the magnitude of the problem.
 c) Making sufficient provision for continued education.
 d) Adult literacy campaigns
 e) Starting correspondence courses.
- ix) According to the passage, continued education means (1)
 a) adult literacy campaigns.
 b) Prevention of neo-literates from relapsing into illiteracy.

- c) Setting more rural libraries, adult schools and correspondence courses
- d) (a),(b) and (c) above
- e) has not been defined in the passage.

- x The passage is most likely an extract from (1)
- a) a report of the Adult Education Committee.
 - b) a report of the family Planning Committee
 - c) a newspaper editorial.
 - d) a speech by a State Education Minister
 - e) an article in a journal devoted to higher education

- xi) Make verbs from the given nouns: a) Education b) provision c) explanation (3)

- xii) Make nouns from the following verbs: a) Grow b) fail (2)

- 3A) A.Reply to the following advertisement: Wanted a B.Com graduate to work as an office assistant. Apply with bio-data to- Barve and Khan Entreprises, Buddha Towers Patto Panaji Goa. 15

OR

- 3B) Answer the following questions: 15
- i) Write a letter to the editor of a local daily about the use and abuse of mobile-phones by college students and whether Mobile-phones should be banned in the college premises. (10)
 - ii) You heard the news of the sad demise of your friend's mother. Your friend has requested not to make any condolence visits. Write a letter to her. (05)

- 4A Write an essay in not more than 300 words on any one of the following: 15

- i) My favorite freedom fighter
- ii) Goa- a tourist paradise or a hell of drugs and crime?
- iii) Do we need full-time counselors in colleges?

OR

- 4B Answer the following questions: 15
- i) Write a story of an 18 year old girl Mandira who comes from a rich family. She wants to devote herself for a social cause, where as her parents want her to complete her higher education and get married. (10)
In not more than 200 words, write the middle and the end of the story to conclude about what happens when she is 40 year old.
 - ii) Write a dialogue between Jo and Ria about a new film which they have watched. (05)

- 5A Your shopping mall wants salespersons. Draft an advertisement with full details. 10

OR

- 5B Draft a display advertisement for a new beauty soap with complete details. 10

6A The following line graph shows thefts per thousand vehicles in four European countries between 1990 and 1999. Summarize the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant. Write in about 150 words. 10

