

ENGLISH, Paper - II

(Third language)

Time : 2 hrs. 45 min.]

[Maximum Marks : 40

Instructions :

1. This question paper contains **three** sections (section A, B and C) with questions from 1 to 34.
 2. Out of the allotted time of 2 hours 45 minutes, the first 15 minutes of time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2 hours 30 minutes for answering the questions.
 3. Write **all** the answers in the separate answer booklet given to you.
 4. Use capital letters while answering the Multiple Choice Questions. Marks will **not** be awarded in case of overwriting.
 5. Make use of the last page(s) of the answer booklet for rough work, if necessary, while answering the questions under **Section-C**.
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SECTION - A

(Reading comprehension)

Q.1-5. Read the following passage carefully.

With the slogan of women empowerment the question arises that "Are women becoming really strong ?" and "is long term struggle has ended". Many programmes have been implemented and run by the government such as International Women's Day, Mother's Day, etc., in order to bring awareness in society about the true rights and values of the women in the development of the nation. Women need to be progressed in a number of spheres. There is a high level of gender inequality in India where women are ill treated by their family members and outsiders. The percentage of illiterate population in India is mostly covered by women. The real meaning of the women empowerment is to make them well educated and leave them free so that they can be capable of taking their own decisions in any field.

Women in India are always subjected to the honour killings and they are never given their basic rights for their proper education and freedom. They

are the victims who face violence and abuse in the male dominated country. According to the National Mission for Empowerment of Women (NMEW) launched by Government of India, the step has sown some improvement in 2011 Census. The ratio of female sex and female illiteracy both have increased. According to Global Gender Gap Index, India needs to take some advance steps to improve the women position in the society through health and hygiene, higher education and economic participation. Women empowerment needs to take full speed in right direction instead of being in nascent stage.

(1-3) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

3×1=3

1. Women need to be empowered because
 - (A) male are empowered.
 - (B) males dominate women.
 - (C) empowered mother makes the bright future of any nation.
 - (D) to celebrate International Women's day.

2. According to the passage, an educated woman is given freedom can resolve issues and take decisions in her life. This is
 - (A) a statement
 - (B) an argument
 - (C) a prediction
 - (D) an explanation

3. True rights of women and value of women in the development of any nation is realised by celebrating
 - (A) International Women's Day
 - (B) Mothers' Day
 - (C) Only B
 - (D) Both A and B

(4 & 5) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

2×1=2

4. Who is an 'empowered woman' in your opinion ?

5. How can women be empowered ?

Q.(6-10) Read the following poem.

My country India

The golden bird of Asia
 With a crown of Himalayas
 Her feet washed by the Arabian
 Is my country India.
 A land of philosophy and sacred lore
 The vedic seers and the vedic core
 A place of holy pilgrimage
 Is my country India
 Since ages her holy lands
 Have held sages and saints alike
 Birth place of a pure language
 Is my country India
 The mighty river Ganges
 Flows through her varied lands
 A unity in diversity
 Is my country India.
 Religion of every colour
 Flower on her breast
 And are watered with tolerance
 Is my country India
 When her freedom faces dangers
 Her children unite as one
 A land of the origin of zero
 Is my country India

- Tahera Mannan

Glossary

lore : traditional knowledge

seer : a person with great insight.

(6-7) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet

2×1=2

6. What is described in the poem ?

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| (A) A country's greatness | (B) Poet's greatness |
| (C) India's greatness | (D) World's greatness |

7. Who is the golden bird according to the poem ?
- (A) Asia
 - (B) Himalayas
 - (C) Arabian
 - (D) India

(8-10) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences.

3×1=3

8. Did you like reading the poem ? Why (or) Why not ?
9. What is the central idea of this poem ?
10. Who does the word 'Children' in the poem refer to ? What do they do ?

Q.(11-15) Read the following passage carefully.

Sometimes too much of a good thing can become a very bad thing indeed. In an earnest attempt to consume a healthy diet, dietary supplement enthusiasts have been known to overdose. Vitamin C for example, long thought to help people ward off Cold viruses, is currently being studied for its possible role in warding off cancer and other diseases that cause tissue degeneration. Unfortunately, an overdose of Vitamin C - more than 10,000 mg - on a daily basis can cause Nausea and Diarrhoea.

Calcium supplements, commonly taken by women are helpful in warding off Osteoporosis. More than just a few grams a day however can lead to stomach upset and even kidney or bladder stones. Niacin proven useful in reducing Cholesterol levels can be dangerous in large doses to those who suffer from Heart problems, Asthma or Ulcers.

(11-13) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices.

Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

3×1=3

11. What point is the writer making in this paragraph ?
- (A) Supplements taken in excess can be a bad thing indeed.
 - (B) Dietary supplement enthusiasts have been known to overdose.
 - (C) Vitamins can cause nausea, diarrhoea and kidney or bladder stones.
 - (D) People who take supplements are preoccupied with their health.

12. Osteoporosis can be prevented in women by taking
- (A) Niacin
 - (B) Calcium
 - (C) Calcium and vitamin C.
 - (D) Vitamin C only.

13. The best possible title for the passage :
- (A) Too much is too bad.
 - (B) Be cautious of food supplements.
 - (C) Vitamin C and its effects.
 - (D) Dietary supplements.

Q.(14-15) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each. **2×1=2**

- 14. Why does the writer say too much of good thing can become a very bad thing ?
- 15. Why should we take vitamin C in our diet ?

SECTION - B

(Vocabulary and Grammar)

Q.(16-18) Read the following passage focussing on the parts that are underlined and numbered.

Sheila has a spiritual bent of mind and she believes in working sincerely for social causes. (16) It is an inner calling. She is blessed and it is all a waste if she doesn't extend a helping hand to the less privileged and the needy. So she set up the Zenith Charitable Trust in 2000 and started an orphanage. (17) The trust runs three schools in nearby villages. (18) To empower rural women living below poverty line, self-help groups have been formed. Each group is given loans and grants from banks.

Now, complete the following sentences and write them in your answer booklet.

3×1=3

- 16. Sheila who
- 17. Sheila not only
but also
- 18. Three schools

Q.(19-22) Complete the passage choosing the right words from those given below. Each blank is numbered and has four choices (A), (B), (C) and (D). Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. 4×½=2

Several low-lying areas of Dehradun (19) inundated after heavy rains lashed the city on Tuesday evening and normal life came (20) a standstill. According to the State Meteorological Centre, the 165 mm rainfall recorded in the valley yesterday is (21) normal in the area. The (22) was mainly due to a large number of houses coming up on the natural drainage of the city blocking the systems completely, said an official at the centre. Such abuse of natural drainage would result in more areas getting flooded in future, he warned.

19. (A) are (B) were (C) was (D) is
 20. (A) by (B) to (C) with (D) for
 21. (A) quiet (B) quite (C) quiet (D) quit
 22. (A) floods (B) flooded (C) flooding (D) flood

Q.(23-28) Read the following passage and fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in brackets. Write the answers in your answer booklet. 6×½=3

A mega medical camp received a huge response with more than 560 persons being (23) (scanned/screened) and given medicines for a variety of (24) (ailments/elements).

The doctors performed blood sugar tests and haemoglobin tests. They found many persons (25) (anaemic / enemic) and were given (26) (special / speciality) medicines. In the (27) (wake/awake) of different fevers in the district the doctors educated the (28) (patience/patients) about the importance of sanitation and protection against mosquitoes.

Q.(29-32) Complete the following passage with the right forms of words given in the brackets. Write the answers in your answer booklet. $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$

Mother Teresa was born in Yugoslavia in 1910 in a simple religious family. She was twelve when she first (29) (feel) the wish to help the poor. One day in 1946, when she was (30) (travel) on a train what seemed to her a clear call from God, to (31) (gave) up everything and serve the poor. She soon got (32) (permit) to leave the order and become a nun. She opened a school where she taught the children to read and keep themselves clean.

SECTION - C

(Creative Writing)

Q.33. Read the information gathered by an English newspaper reporter.

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- Date 12th September, 2018
- TSRTC bus of Jagityal depot fell into a gorge.
- 57 died and 32 injured, driver also died.
- 88 passengers total in bus.
- Returning from Kondagattu temple.
- Driver lost control.
- Break failure.
- Local people helped.
- Victims rushed to the hospital, Jagityal.

Now write a newspaper report using the above information. Write in separate paragraphs and give a headline.

OR

Read the following information given in the table.

Write a biographical sketch of the famous film actor Mr. Amitabh Bachchan. Write each event in a separate paragraph.

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Points to be covered</i>	<i>Details of the person</i>
01.	Actual name	Amitabh Harivansh Bachchan
02.	Date and place of birth	Oct 11, 1942 Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh
03.	Nick names	Big B, Munna, AB Sir, Bollywood Shahenshah
04.	Important events in life	Debut / First Movie - Saat Hindustani, Acted in more than 180 Indian films. ♦ Worked as a playback singer. ♦ Film producer ♦ TV presenter ♦ Entered politics in 1984 from Allahabad. ♦ Won in Lok Sabha General Election by a big margin.
05.	Awards, Prizes and Honours	♦ National Film Awards as Best actor - 3 times. ♦ 14 Filmfare Awards ♦ Screen Awards ♦ IIFA Awards ♦ Stardust Awards ♦ Zee Cine Awards ♦ Apsara Film and Television Producers' Guild Award. ♦ Big Star Entertainment Awards and Bollywood Movie Awards.
06.	His popular and noted movies	Chupke Chupke; Dostana; Silsila; Naseeb; Yaarana; Nastik, etc.
07.	Movies produced by him	Paa; Tere Mere Sapne; Saptapadii, etc.
08.	Contribution to society	♦ Launched and organised KBC on TV. ♦ Encouraged his fans to participate in Swachhta Campaign called Cleanliness Drive to make clean India.

Q.34. Imagine your parents bought a new house. Your family decided to celebrate house warming ceremony on Friday, 21st April, 2019 at 4.00 a.m. Prepare an attractive invitation card on behalf of your father to invite relatives and friends to the auspicious house-warmig ceremony. Include the necessary details. 5