



‘সমানো মন্ত্র: সমিতি: সমানী’

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. Honours/General Part-II Examination, 2022

COMPULSORY ENGLISH

PAPER-ENGC (MIL)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any **three** of the following questions: 5×3 = 15
 - (a) Describe the relationship between Parsi Rustomji and Gandhiji.
 - (b) “The good Parsi felt deeply mortified” — Who is the ‘good Parsi’ and why was he ‘deeply mortified’?
 - (c) Why did the old man leave San Carlos?
 - (d) Comment on Hemingway’s anti-war message in the story ‘Old Man at the Bridge’.
 - (e) How does a porpoise fight against sharks?
 - (f) How does a mother porpoise help its newborn baby to feed?

2. Answer any **two** of the following questions: 5×2 = 10
 - (a) “Here Captain! Dear Father!” — Who is the person addressed here? Why is he called ‘Captain’ and ‘Father’?
 - (b) Comment on the title of the poem ‘Afterwards’.
 - (c) Briefly describe how summer has been portrayed in Kamala Das’s poem ‘Summer in Calcutta’.
 - (d) Give after Auden, a sketch of the character of the unknown citizen.

3. Answer any **five** of the following questions: 1×5 = 5
 - (a) Who is Jimmy Walsh?
 - (b) What is a ‘ballad’?
 - (c) Who says, “stop that noise”?
 - (d) What is the meaning of ‘kelp’?
 - (e) Where did the ragged man hide himself?
 - (f) “You are the man I am looking for”. Who is the speaker?
 - (g) What kind of sacrifice does the sergeant make in the play?
 - (h) What is the setting of the play, ‘The Rising of the Moon’?

4. Write a letter to the Editor of an English newspaper expressing your concern about the insanitary condition of your locality and the inconvenience caused by it. 5

OR

Lodge an FIR at the local police station for the loss of your Voter card.

5. Write a report on the annual cultural programme in your college. 8

OR

Write a report for an English daily on a devastating fire in your locality.

6. Make a précis of the following passage and provide a suitable title to it: 7

It is evident that until doubt began, progress was impossible. For, as we have clearly seen, the advance of civilisation solely depends on the acquisition made by the human intellect, and on the extent to which those acquisitions are diffused. But men who are perfectly convinced of the accuracy of their opinions will never take the pain of examining the basis on which they are built. They look always with wonder, and often with horror, on views contrary to those which they inherited from their fathers, and when they are in this state of mind, it is impossible that they should receive any new truth which interferes with their forgone conclusions. On this account, although the acquisition of fresh knowledge is the necessary precursor of every step in social progress, such acquisition must itself be preceded by a love of inquiry, for knowledge is not an inert and passive principle, which comes to us whether we will or not, but must be sought before it can be won. It is the product of great labour, and, therefore, of great sacrifice.

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