

2014

**ADDITIONAL ENGLISH**

*Full Marks – 80*

*Pass Marks – 20*

Time : Three hours

*The figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks for the questions.*

*Answer in your own words as far as practicable.*

**SECTION – A**

**(POETRY)**

1. Explain the following with reference to the context : 6

And I can listen to thee yet ;

Can lie upon the plain

And listen, till I do beget

That golden time again,

*Or*

Life is real ! Life is earnest !

And the grave is not its goal ;

"Dust thou art, to dust returnest,"

Was not spoken of the soul.

Contd.

2. Answer the following questions in one *phrase* / sentence each:  $1 \times 3 = 3$

(a) What kind of tale does the cuckoo bring unto the poet?

(b) What is our destined end or way?

(c) What do Indian Weavers weave at fall of night?

3. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each:  $2 \times 3 = 6$

(a) How is the traveller cheered in the evening?

(b) "Let the past bury its dead"

Why does the poet say so?

(c) Why do Indian Weavers weave a dead man's funeral shroud?

4. Answer the following questions in about 90 words: 5

(a) How does William Shakespeare present the idea that death is the ultimate leveller of all differences in human society in 'A Requiem'?

Or

(b) How does the stream address stones, rocks and boulders in the poem 'The Stream's Song'?

### SECTION - B

#### (PROSE)

5. Explain the following passage with reference to the context: 6

(a) The greatest men of the world have always stood alone.

Or

(b) Gerrard: Don't be a fool. If you shoot, you'll hang for me. If not as yourself, then as Charles Vincent Gerrard.

6. Answer the following questions in one phrase / sentence each:  $1 \times 3 = 3$

(a) What, according to M.K. Gandhi, is the immediate need of India?

(b) When was Ronald Ross awarded the Nobel Prize?

(c) How many times were the second generation of computers faster than the first generation of computers?

7. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each:  $2 \times 3 = 6$

(a) Why does Jawaharlal Nehru say that we are not worthy to praise Gandhiji?

(b) Why are Ronald Ross discovery really two discoveries?

(c) Why are Charles Babbage's ideas important in building today's computers?

8. Answer the following question in about 90 words: 5

How did Manson discover that mosquito carries the germs which cause elephantiasis?

Or

Do you think the title 'After Twenty Years' is appropriate to the story? Discuss.

**SECTION – C**  
**(READING)**

9. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Most people when asked what spiritual quality is needed to rebuild civilisation, will reply 'love'. Men must love one another, they say; nations must do likewise.

Respectfully but firmly, I disagree. Love is a great force in private life; but love in public affairs does not work. It has been tried again and again; and it has always failed. The idea that nations should love one another, or that marketing boards should love one another, or that a man in Portugal should love a man in Peru of whom he has never heard is absurd, unreal, dangerous. It leads us into perilous and vague sentimentalism. 'Love is what is needed', we chant, and then sit back and the world goes on as before. The fact is that we can only love what we know personally. And we cannot know much. In public affairs, in the rebuilding of civilisation, something much less dramatic and emotional is needed, namely, tolerance. Tolerance is a very dull virtue. It merely means putting up with people, being able to stand things. No one has written an ode to tolerance and raised a statue to her. Yet this is the quality which is most needed. This is the sound state of mind which we are looking for. This is the only force which will enable different races and classes and interests to settle down together to the work of reconstruction.

- (a) Answer the following questions in *one* word / phrase / sentence each : 1×2=2
- (i) What is the spiritual quality needed to rebuild civilisation to most people ?
  - (ii) What is required in rebuilding civilisation ?
- (b) Answer the following questions in about *30* words each : 2×2=4
- (i) Why has love failed to rebuild civilisation ?
  - (ii) Why is tolerance the state of mind we are looking for to rebuild civilisation ?
- (c) Pick out the words from the passage which mean : 1×2=2
- (i) dangerous
  - (ii) not clear

**SECTION – D**  
**(WRITING)**

10. Complete the following dialogue with appropriate words / phrases according to the context : 1×5=5
- Kumar : ..... you going to Mumbai ?
- Tomba : In the last ..... next month.
- Kumar : ..... you stay there ?
- Tomba : About a month.
- Kumar : ..... you be staying ?
- Tomba : With my cousin .....for a company.



11. You are X, the General Secretary of Imphal Cultural Club. Draft a circular informing the members that a meeting will be held on November 15 to discuss various problems faced by the club. The venue will be G.M. Hall.

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12. "Should regional languages replace English as the medium of instruction in the schools of Manipur?" Give arguments for and against the topic in about 90 words.

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13. You are Joseph, the Games and Sports Secretary of ABC School, Motbung. Write a report on the Annual Sports Meet of your school held from December 5 – 8 to the Principal of your school.

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14. Write a precis of the following passage and provide a suitable title :

5+2=7

Misers are generally characterised as men without honour or without humanity, who live only to accumulate, and to this passion sacrifice every other happiness. They have been described as mad-men who in the midst of abundance, banish every pleasure and make from imaginary wants real necessities. But few, very few, correspond to the exaggerated picture; and perhaps there is no one in whom all these circumstances find united. Instead of this we find the sober and the industrious branded by the vain and idle

with the odious appellation; man who by frugality and labour, raise themselves above their equals, and contribute their share of industry to the common stock.

Whatever the vain or the ignorant may say, well were it for society had we more of this character among us. In general these close-fisted men are found at last the true benefactors of society with an avaricious man we seldom lose in our dealings, but too frequently in our commerce with prodigality.

15. Write a letter to the Editor, The Manipur Mail, Uripok about the problem of drug addiction in Manipur. Sign yourself as Ronald of Viewland, Ukhrul.

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