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BCA

1st Semester Examination
COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS AND
LANGUAGE LABORATORY

PAPER—1195

Full Marks : 100

Time : 3 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

- 1. (a)** Answer *all* questions. 5×2
- (i) Give the synonym of "adversity".
- (ii) Give the antonym of "conceal".
- (iii) He told Roma about the proposal. (Make it in Question Form, without changing the meaning)

(Turn Over)

(iv) Asis tried all methods to solve the sum. (Make it in Negative Form, without changing the meaning)

(v) Nabin saw him stealing the bag. (Change the Voice)

Or

(b) Change the narration: 10

The teacher became angry with the student and said, "Why have you again disturbed the class in this way? I have told you before that you should be silent when I am speaking. Leave the room, and do not return again today."

2. Attempt any *three* of the following questions: 20×3

(a) Write an essay on any *one* of the following topics:

(i) Science - A blessing or a curse?

(ii) Uses and abuses of Smart Phone

(iii) Relevance of Computer in today's world

(b) Write a newspaper report on a street accident.

Or

Make a survey of your locality with a questionnaire containing questions to the beneficiaries of some specified government scheme and prepare a report on the survey.

(c) Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper describing the discomfort caused by microphones during festivals.

Or

Write a letter to the Officer-in-charge of the local Police Station, reporting the loss of your bag containing important documents.

- (d) Write the précis of the following passage and add to it a title:

Language is thought to have originated when early hominids first started cooperating and adapted earlier systems of communication based on expressive signs to include a theory of other minds and shared intentionality. This development is thought to have coincided with an increase in brain volume. Language is processed in many different locations in the human brain, but especially in Broca's and Wernicke's areas. Humans acquire language through social interaction in early childhood, and children generally speak fluently when they are around three years old. The use of language has become deeply entrenched in human culture and apart from being used to communicate and share information it also has social and cultural uses such as signifying group identity, social stratification and for social grooming and entertainment.

- (e) Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

"Culture studies" is not a unified theory but a diverse field of study encompassing many different approaches, methods, and academic perspectives; as in any academic discipline, cultural studies' academics frequently debate among themselves. However, some academics from other fields have criticized the discipline as a whole. It has been popular to

dismiss cultural studies as an academic fad. Yale literature professor Harold Bloom has been an outspoken critic of the cultural studies model of literary studies. Critics such as Bloom see cultural studies as it applies to literary scholarship, as a vehicle of careerism by academics, instead of promoting essentialist theories of culture, mobilizing arguments that scholars should promote the public interest by studying what makes beautiful literary works beautiful.

Questions: 5 + 5 +10 = 20

- (i) What is "Culture studies"?
- (ii) Mention the name of the professor who is an outspoken critic of the cultural studies model of literary studies. How does he assess culture studies?
- (iii) Make sentences of your own with the following words:

Diverse; Discipline; Academics; Fad; Careerism.

- (f) Re-write as directed, without changing the meaning:

10×2

- (i) I am no great delinquent in such matters. (Make it a complex sentence)
- (ii) I find it quite impossible to keep walking-sticks, I have an old-fashioned taste for them. (Make it a compound sentence)
- (iii) No-sooner do I pay a visit to a friend's house or go a journey in a train, than another stick is on its way into the world of the lost. (Make it a simple sentence)

- (iv) He saw ---- Taj Mahal with great astonishment. (Fill in the blank with an article)
- (v) You must stand ---- your word. (Fill in the blank with a preposition)
- (vi) I am too weak to carry the luggage. (Use so...that..)
- (vii) Kalimpong is a scenic place. It is in the district of Darjeeling.(Join the sentences)
- (viii)They live in Kolkata, ----- ? (Use a Question Tag)
- (ix) I shall send her an invitation on finding her address. (make it a Conditional Sentence)
- (x) Write the plural form of "tooth".

[Internal Assessment : 30]

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