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**B. Com. III**

FOUNDATION COURSE

**Paper II**

[ English Language ]

TIME — 3 Hours )

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**NOTE :** All questions are compulsory.

Unit—I

1. Answer any three of the following in 200 words :

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(a) Write a summary of the short story "Death of a Clerk".

(b) Why was Vikramaditya known as the greatest judge of India ?

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- (c) What does Information Technology deal with ?
- (d) Why are bores happy ?
- (e) What are the basic needs of human beings ?

Unit—II

2. Write an essay in about 200 words on any **one** of the following : **10**

- (a) Status of women in India,
- (b) Environmental Pollution,
- (c) The New Economic Policy,
- (d) Use and Misuse of Internet.

Unit—III

3. Attempt a precis of the following passage and give a suitable title : **10**

Superstitions are based on ignorance and there is no place for superstitions but in darkness. The best way to remove superstitions is to educate the people and give them the light of reason. Superstitions have been responsible for much harm

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caused to people in the past as well as in the present time. A spirit of narrowness and bigotry was engendered among people by their superstitions and there was bloodshed and devastations. There are certain common superstitions which are shared by all the people in the world. Belief in spirits, ghosts and witches is a common and irrational belief of the people living in the past or in the present age.

Unit—IV

4. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : **5**

Man longs for a happy and peaceful life. He does not want to face any sorrow, misfortunes or failures. For him, life should be a continuous flow of success, peace, progress and prosperity. Man should however realize that adversities in life have their own advantages. It is these moments of stress, suffering and misfortunes which bring forth the best faculties of man. These moments make him thoughtful. In fact man learns a lot from his failures and sufferings. Just as the heat of the fire turns impure gold

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into pure, failures give us courage to work hard and face adversities bravely and overcome them. Milton and Soordas wrote best, when they became blind. Numerous instances can be given to prove that great things have been achieved in times of suffering and adversity.

**Questions :**

- (i) What kind of life does man wish to lead ?
  - (ii) What are the advantages of adversities ?
  - (iii) What do failures gives us ?
  - (iv) When did Milton and Soordas write best ?
  - (v) When can great things be achieved ?
- (b) Make nouns from the following adjectives :  
(any five)
- (i) strong,
  - (ii) gentle,

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- (iii) great,
  - (iv) poor,
  - (v) true,
  - (vi) tender.
- (c) Give antonyms of the following words :  
(any five) 5
- (i) faithful,
  - (ii) human,
  - (iii) conceal,
  - (iv) major,
  - (v) uneven,
  - (vi) thin.

**Unit—V**

5. Do as directed : (any twenty five) 25

- (i) Put suitable collective nouns in the following sentences :
- swarm, bunch, suite, mob, flock, crew, fleet.
- (a) The .....of the Indian Navy is very strong now.

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- (b) The President occupied a .....of rooms at the hotel.
- (c) He bought a large .....of bananas.
- (d) Raina was attacked by a .....of wasps.
- (ii) Supply 'if' or 'unless' in the following sentences :
- (a) She would not have waited .....you had been late.
- (b) I'll go to the door ..... I hear the bell.
- (c) I shalln't go to the door ..... I hear the bell.
- (d) ..... she wrote to me, I should write to him.
- (iii) Insert prepositions where necessary :
- (a) This music was written .....Laxmikant Pyarelal.
- (b) Who is the guitarist .....that orchestra group ?
- (c) What gramophone record is.....number one ?

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- (iv) Add the missing relative in the following :
- (a) I know a man .....eats raw vegetables.
- (b) His wife is a woman .....loves jokes.
- (c) The books .....you lent me is not very interesting.
- (d) It is kind of pepper .....you cannot eat.
- (v) Put the suitable tag :
- (a) The giant was very selfish .....
- (b) You are a very dull person .....
- (vi) Put the following sentences into reported speech :
- (a) She said, "I must go home."
- (b) He said to me, "What are you doing ?"
- (c) Sarla says, "I am coming."
- (vii) Combine the following pairs of sentences :
- (a) Some ants raid the homes of others ants.  
They make them captive.

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(b) Some slave ants work for their masters.

Some others do nothing for their keep.

(viii) *Change the voice :*

(a) Did the noise frighten you ?

(b) I was struck by her horrid look.

(c) The lion was caught in a trap.

(d) By when was that letter written.

(ix) *Convert the following into assertive sentences :*

(a) How delightful it is !

(b) What a beautiful garden !

(x) *Choose the appropriate form of the verbs given in brackets :*

(a) He .....(did not change/had't changed) very much.

(b) It happened a few weeks ago as I (walked / was walking) home from abroad.

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