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LIMITED DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS FOR PROMOTION TO
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PAPER - I (ENGLISH & G.K.)

\begin{enumerate}
\item Make a précis of the given passage in one – third of its original length. Supply a suitable title. \hspace{15}\text{(15)}
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One great defect of our civilization is that it does not know what to do with its
knowledge. Science, as we have seen, has given us powers fit for the gods, yet we use them
like small children.

For example, we do not know how to manage our machines. Machines are made
to be man's servant; yet he has grown so dependent that they are in a fair way to become his
masters. Already most men spend most of their lives looking after and waiting upon machines.
And the machines are very stern masters. They must be fed with coals and given petrol to
drink, and oil to wash with, and must be kept at the right temperature. And if they do not get
their meals when they expect them, they grow sulky and refuse to work, or trust with rage, and
blow up, and spread ruin and destruction all around them. So we have to wait upon them very
attentively and do all that we can to keep them in a good temper. Already we find it difficult
either to work or play without the machines, and a time may come when they will rule us
altogether, just as we rule the animals.

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\item Draft a report to the Director of your Department (use X for your Department) making
recommendation for re-organising your office. \hspace{15}\text{(20)}
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3. (a) Change the speech of the following sentences. (5×1=5)
   (i) Jack said to Jill, “You must be careful where to put your foot as there are holes on the ground.”
   (ii) The manager said that he would not attend the office the next day.
   (iii) She said to me, “Your father left an hour ago.”
   (iv) The old man exclaimed that weather was very hot.
   (v) The stranger asked Mary, “Could you tell me where Prime Minister resides.”

(b) Rewrite the following sentences as directed. (5×1=5)
   (i) By whom was money stolen. (Change into active voice)
   (ii) The little girl was singing the song beautifully. (Change into present perfect tense)
   (iii) Someone has eaten all the fruits. (Change into passive voice)
   (iv) The man who came with the headman killed all the murderous. (Change into past perfect continuous tense)
   (v) On the top of the hill lives the hermit. (Point out the subject and predicate)

(c) Answer the following according to the instructions given. (5×2=10)
   (i) Smoking is a serious offence in public places today. (Name the part of speech of the underlined word)
   (ii) Hindi as well as English (is /are) taught in the college. (Choose the correct word)
   (iii) There are _____________ nurses in the hospital. (Supply a suitable adjective)
   (iv) Either the dog or the cat (has/have) taken it. (Choose the correct word)
   (v) I was in Delhi when Prime Minister Modi won the elections. (Pick out the adverb clause)

4. Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 350 words. (20)
   - Books and Reading.
   - Population growth.
   - The influence of Cable Television in India.
Section - B
(General Knowledge - 25 Marks)

All questions carry equal marks of 1 each.

This Section should be answered only on the OMR Response Sheet provided.

1. Kiran Bedi had been made governor of
   (a) Kerala  (b) Goa
   (c) Maharashtra  (d) Puducherry

2. The anti-submarine warfare corvette which has been commissioned in the Indian Navy by Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral R.K. Dhowan at naval dockyard in Visakhapatnam was
   (a) INS Kadmatt  (b) INS Vikram
   (c) INS Surya  (d) INS Raman

3. Name the person who has taken charge as UN High Commissioner for Refugees?
   (a) Filippo Grandi  (b) Raul Paul
   (c) Antonio Guterres  (d) Sunando Ghosh

4. In what country was the G-7 summit held in May 2016
   (a) Germany  (b) France
   (c) USA  (d) Japan

5. India’s first underwater restaurant was unveiled on 1 February 2016 in which city?
   (a) Mumbai  (b) Chennai
   (c) Ahmedabad  (d) Pune

6. Which country recently detonated its first hydrogen bomb?
   (a) South Korea  (b) North Korea
   (c) Pakistan  (d) Iran

7. Who is the new president of Burkina Faso?
   (a) Roch Marc Kabore  (b) Mike Brush
   (c) Sandy Patton  (d) Bob Dick

8. Which state has been selected for the Krishi Karman Award for year 2014-2015?
   (a) Bihar  (b) Uttar Pradesh
   (c) Madhya Pradesh  (d) West Bengal

9. The street view service is of which company?
   (a) Apple  (b) Google
   (c) Yahoo  (d) Microsoft
10. Who is the author of the book ‘Nunna Kawng Thuampuiah’?
   (a) C.Laitanga       (b) K.C.Lalvunga
   (c) C.Thuamluaia     (d) James Dokhuma

11. Who is the author of the book ‘As you like it’?
    (a) Mark Twain       (b) Alexander Dumas
    (c) William Shakespeare (d) Charles Dickens

12. Governor of Mizoram is
    (a) Nirbhay Sharma   (b) A.R.Kohli
    (c) K.K.Paul         (d) K.R.Tripathi

13. Vice President of India is
    (a) Arun Jaitley     (b) Hamid Ansari
    (c) Sushma Swaraj    (d) Sumitra Mahajan

14. Which country won the 2015 FIFA U-17 World Cup?
    (a) Nigeria         (b) Mali
    (c) Brazil          (d) Argentina

15. Who became the first player to win ATP World Tour Finals for fourth consecutive time?
    (a) Roger Federer   (b) Rafael Nadal
    (c) Novac Djokovic  (d) Andy Murray

16. What does HRI stands for (in connection with India)?
    (a) Harish Chandra Research Institute (b) Human Resources Institution
    (c) Indian Household Researches       (d) Homi Bhabha Research Institute

17. The short form of Deoxyribonucleic Acid is
    (a) DXNA            (b) DBA
    (c) DNA             (d) DONA

18. Which city is known as city of Golden Temple?
    (a) Amritsar        (b) Allahabad
    (c) Shimla          (d) Mecca

19. Which one is known as Ganga of South?
    (a) Kaveri          (b) Mahanadi
    (c) Lopat           (d) Tsango
20. An American Indian who was awarded Edgar A. Poe Award in May 2016 was
   (a) Neela Banerjee  (b) Sri Devi
   (c) Ramanujan Hegde  (d) Lakshminarayanan Mahadevan

21. Who was awarded the 2016 Man Booker International Prize?
   (a) Khushwan Singh  (b) Han Kang
   (c) F. Jezebilli  (d) Chetan Bhaghat

22. Who discovered Steam Engine?
   (a) James Watt  (b) John Bairde
   (c) Alexander Fleming  (d) George Stevenson

23. The instrument LIGO discovered which of the following?
   (a) Higg’s boson  (b) Anti-proton
   (c) Gene replication  (d) Gravitational wave

24. One million bytes is known as
   (a) Millibyte  (b) Gigabyte
   (c) Megabyte  (d) Microbyte

25. Which one is a program used to find out whether someone is online?
   (a) Finger  (b) COBOL
   (c) Poke  (d) Byte

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