

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

LIMITED DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION TO JR. GRADE OF MIZORAM PLANNING, ECONOMIC & STATISTICAL SERVICE (MPE&SS) UNDER GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM. SEPTEMBER-2024

PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

FM : 100 PM : 40

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt all questions.

SECTION - A

(75 Marks)

This Section should be answered only on the Answer Sheet provided.

1. Write a précis of the following passage in one-third of its original length. Give a suitable title: (15)

English education and English language have done immense good to India, in spite of their glaring drawbacks. The notions of democracy and self-government are born of English education. Those who fought and died for mother India's freedom were nursed in the cradle of English thought and culture. The West has made contribution to the East; and the East has also had its contribution to the West. The history of Europe has fired the hearts of our leaders. Our struggle for freedom has been inspired by the struggles for freedom in England, America and France. If our leaders were ignorant of English and if they had not studied this language, they could not have been inspired by these heroic struggles for freedom in other lands. English, therefore, did us great good in the past and if properly studied will do immense good in the future. English is spoken throughout the world in various countries. Therefore, for international commerce and trade, for the development of our practical ideas, for scientific studies, English is indispensable. English is rich in literature and our own literature has been made richer by this foreign language. It will really be a fatal day if we altogether forget Shakespeare, Milton, Keats and Shaw.

2. Draft a report to the Director, Department of M, Government of Mizoram making recommendations for setting up solar powered panels for the department office. (20)

3. Change the speech of the following sentences: (5×1=5)

- (a) Hriati said to Muana, "The library book has to be returned tomorrow".
- (b) Dawnga told Rammawia that he was looking for his son.
- (c) Rempuia says, "The restaurant is ready for customers".
- (d) The soldier said that the villagers had given water to him.
- (e) Ruatfeli said, "I was crying in my room last night"

4. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word: (5×1=5)

- (a) The manager and the roadie _____ (were/was) late to the show.
- (b) Neither Muana nor Sanga _____ (is/are) attending the reception.
- (c) The construction of a new road might _____ (affect/effect) the oak trees.
- (d) Biaka hoped that staying _____ (stationery/stationary) would help him hide.
- (e) It is I who _____ (is/am) to blame.

5. Rewrite the following sentences as directed: (5×1=5)
- People admired his bravery. (*Change to passive voice*)
 - The car chased the dog. (*Change to past perfect continuous tense*)
 - The vegetables have been chopped by Muanawma. (*Change into active voice*)
 - The children feed the dog. (*Change to future perfect tense*)
 - Rinliana was writing a letter. (*Change to present indefinite tense*)
6. Answer the following according to the given instructions: (5×1=5)
- I watched a hilarious movie with my wife last night. (*Name the part of speech of the underlined word*)
 - She gave me a _____ of flowers. (*Fill in the blank using a suitable collective noun*)
 - The man ran as fast as he could when he saw a _____ of bees. (*Fill in the blank using a suitable collective noun*)
 - My goodness! What a lovely garden you have! (*Name the part of speech of the underlined word*)
 - Jonathan wants to learn other languages (beside/besides) Khasi and Mizo. (*Choose the appropriate option*)
7. Write an essay on **any one** of the following topics in 350 - 400 words: (20)
- Mizoram in 2034
 - The impact of social media
 - The importance of protecting the environment

SECTION - B
(25 Marks)

*All questions carry equal mark of 1 each. Attempt all questions.
This Section should be answered only on the **OMR Response Sheet** provided.*

- Who among the following was appointed as the Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) on 5th April, 2022?
 - Manoj Soni
 - Vinay Mittal
 - Arvind Saxena
 - Pradeep Kumar Joshi
- The President of Iran who died in the helicopter crashed on 19th May, 2024 is -
 - Ebrahim Raisi
 - Hossein Amir-Abdollahian
 - Malek Rahmati
 - Mohammad Ali Ale-Hashem
- At the current rate of growth, *the urban population of India by the year 2030* will reach-
 - 575 million
 - 675 million
 - 750 million
 - 900 million
- Who among the following was elected as President of Taiwan on 14th January, 2024?
 - William Lai Ching-te
 - Chen Chien Lai Ching-te
 - Tsai-Ing-wen
 - Co Jung-tai

5. Who among the following was appointed by President Emmanuel Macron *as the youngest Prime Minister in French history*?
 - (a) Jean Castex
 - (b) Gabriel Attal
 - (c) Elisabeth Borne
 - (d) Marc Fesneau
6. As per the Bloomberg Billionaires Index released on 9th January, 2024, *the richest person in the world is* -
 - (a) Bill Gates
 - (b) Elon Musk
 - (c) Jeff Bezos
 - (d) Mark Zuckerberg
7. Who is the New President of Argentina as on December 10, 2023?
 - (a) Javier Milei
 - (b) Bilal Karimi
 - (c) Mahammed Muizzu
 - (d) Antonio Costa
8. As per the Global Hunger Index released on 12 October, 2023 - *India has been placed*
 - (a) 101th out of 125 countries
 - (b) 110th out of 125 countries
 - (c) 111th out of 125 countries
 - (d) 121th out of 125 countries
9. The winner of Best FIFA Men's Player of the year 2024 is -
 - (a) Cristiano Ronaldo
 - (b) Lionel Messi
 - (c) Neymar
 - (d) Kylian Mbappe
10. Who is newly appointed as an *Executive Director of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)* for a tenure of 3 years with effect from 5th January, 2024?
 - (a) G.Ram Mohan Rao
 - (b) Indra Mani Pandey
 - (c) Rashid Khan
 - (d) Anish Dayal Singh
11. The rate at which Reserve Bank of India (RBI) lends short-term money to the banks against securities is called -
 - (a) Bank rate
 - (b) Repo Rate
 - (c) Reverse Repo rate
 - (d) Prime Lending Rate
12. When the expenditure of the government exceeds the revenue, the balance between the two is called-
 - (a) Budget deficit
 - (b) Fiscal deficit
 - (c) Revenue deficit
 - (d) Capital deficit
13. What is the effect of deficit financing on the economy?
 - (a) Reduction in taxes
 - (b) Increase in wages
 - (c) Increase in money supply
 - (d) Decrease in money supply
14. What is the *currency* of Israel?
 - (a) Euro
 - (b) Dollar
 - (c) Shekel
 - (d) Peso
15. *Wheel (Chakra)* is a symbol of
 - (a) Strength
 - (b) Progress
 - (c) Justice
 - (d) Harmony

16. *Parliament* of United States of America (USA) is called -
(a) National People's Congress (b) Congress
(c) Democrats (d) Assembly
17. The *largest country (area-wise)* in the world is -
(a) Russia (b) China
(c) India (d) USA
18. *National emblem* of India is-
(a) Lion Capital (b) Tiger with Chakra
(c) Lotus (d) Tri-colour
19. The First Indian Pilot is -
(a) Sachin Pilot (b) JRD Tata
(c) Rakesh Sharma (d) Gunjan Saxena
20. Who is the author of the book *I Do what I Do?*
(a) Narendra Modi (b) Raghuram Rajan
(c) Shashi Tharoor (d) Dr. C. Rangarajan
21. Chandrayaan-3 was launched on -
(a) 4th June, 2023 (b) 14th June, 2023
(c) 4th July, 2023 (d) 14th July, 2023
22. An Indian economist who won Nobel Prize in the field of Economics in the year 2019 is -
(a) Amartya Sen (b) Abhijit Banerjee
(c) Subramanian Swamy (d) Man Mohan Singh
23. *International Day of Peace* is observed on -
(a) 16 September (b) 21st September
(c) 21st October (d) 20th November
24. *Pangparhnima- Book of the year 2023* is written by -
(a) Ahmangaihi Royte (b) Ahmangaihi Khiangte
(c) Lalhrualtuanga Chawngte (d) Lahmangaihi Royte
25. Who is the present Vice Chancellor of Mizoram University?
(a) Prof.Dibakar Chandra Deka (b) Prof. Sujit Chandra Deka
(c) Prof.KRS.Sambasiva Rao (d) Prof. Anil Kumar