

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS FOR
ASSISTANT SUB-INSPECTOR
UNDER EXCISE & NARCOTICS DEPARTMENT, APRIL, 2018

PAPER I (GENERAL ENGLISH)

Time Allowed : 3 hours

FM : 25
PM : 10

Marks for each question is indicated against it.
Attempt all questions.

1. Write an essay on **any one (1)** of the following topics: **(10)**
 - Discipline in Life
 - Festivals of Mizoram
 - The Choice of Professions
2. Rewrite the following sentences into the indirect form of speech: **(4×1=4)**
 - (a) The manager said, "Do you know who wrote this?"
 - (b) "We are looking for a new house", my friend said to me.
 - (c) Betty said, "The boy was doing his work."
 - (d) The teacher said, "Man is the only animal that cooks his food."
3. Pick out the adverbs from the following sentences: **(4×1=4)**
 - (a) At the stroke of midnight, the gun went off.
 - (b) That was the time when I was at home.
 - (c) I remember to have seen you before.
 - (d) It was bad enough to wait so long.
4. Rewrite the following sentences as directed: **(7×1=7)**
 - (a) A fair little girl sat _____ a tree. (insert preposition)
 - (b) No man can serve two masters. (separate the subject and the predicate)
 - (c) Muslims *fast* in the month of Ramzan. (name the part of speech of the italicized word)
 - (d) Clouds float in the sky because they are _____ than air. (insert appropriate degree of comparison)
 - (e) He is _____ honour to this profession. (insert appropriate article)
 - (f) He will finish the work in a fortnight. (change the voice)
 - (g) I am hoping to get a holiday soon. (name the tense of the underlined verb)

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