

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
LIMITED DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS FOR PROMOTION TO
JUNIOR GRADE OF MIZORAM SECRETARIAT SERVICE
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PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

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

1. Write an essay in about 1000 words on **any one** of given topics. **(25)**
- Negative impact of social media on the youth of Mizoram.
 - Organic farming – future wealth of Mizoram.
 - The need to reintroduce reading culture in children.
 - Cyber bullying.

2. Write a précis of the given passage. **(15)**

The great advantage of early rising is the good start it gives us in our day's work. The early riser has done a large amount of hard work before other men have got out of bed. In the early morning the mind is fresh, and there are few sound or other distractions, so the work done at that time is generally well done. In many cases the early riser also finds time to take some exercise in the fresh morning air, and this exercise supplies him with a fund of energy that will last until the evening. by beginning so early, he knows that he has plenty of time to do thoroughly all the work he can be expected to do, and is not tempted to hurry over any part of it. All his work being finished in good time, He has a long interval of rest in the evening before the timely hour when he goes to bed. He get to sleep several hours before midnight , at the time when sleep is most refreshing and after a sound night's rest, riser early next morning in good health and spirits for the labours of a new day.

It is very plain that such a life as this is far more conducive to health than that of the man who shortens his waking hours by rising late, so can afford in the course of the day little leisure for necessary rest. Any one who lies in bed late, must, if he wishes to do a full day's work, Go on working to a correspondingly late hour, and deny himself the hour or two of evening exercise that he ought to take for the benefit of his health. But, in spite of all his efforts, his will probably produce as good results as the early riser, because he misses the best working hours of the day.

It may be objected to this that some find the perfect quite of midnight by far the best time for working. This is no doubt true in certain cases. Several great thinkers have found by experience that their intellect is clearest, and they can write best, when they burn the midnight oil. But even in such cases the practice of working late at night cannot be commended. Few men, if any, can exert the full power of their intellect at the time when nature prescribes sleep, without ruining their health thereby; and of course the injury done to the health must in the long run have a bad effect on the quality of the work done.

3. As Under Secretary, SAD, Govt. of Mizoram, draft a notification to all Heads of Departments to issue a strict order against the misuse of office computers for personal means. (keep in view playing of computer games, online shopping, downloading/uploading of inappropriate contents including misuse of office stationeries) (20)
4. Make meaningful sentences with the given IDIOMS (5×2=10)
- (a) Within an ace of
 - (b) By hook or by crook
 - (c) In the nick of time
 - (d) To eat humble pie
 - (e) No love lost
5. Change from the active voice to passive voice (5×2=10)
- (a) Someone has picked my pocket.
 - (b) One should keep one's promises.
 - (c) Who did this?
 - (d) When will you return the book?
 - (e) All his friends laughed at him.
6. Point out the adjectives and name the degree of comparison of each. (5×2=10)
- (a) Make less noise.
 - (b) Solomon was one of the wisest men.
 - (c) My knife is sharper than yours.
 - (d) He is the best friends I have.
7. Insert the correct tense of verb in the following. (10×1=10)
- (a) After the shower_____ over, the sun shone out again. (To Be)
 - (b) Answer the first question before you _____ further. (To Proceed)
 - (c) Now that we_____safe, we stopped to take breath. (To Feel)
 - (d) He labours hard so that he _____become rich. (May Or Might)
 - (e) I do it because i_____ to. (To Choose)
 - (f) He would succeed if he _____. (To Try)
 - (g) He went where he _____ find work. (Can or Could)
 - (h) I would die before I _____. (To Lie)
 - (i) He came oftener than we _____. (To Expect)
 - (j) His health has improved since he _____ India. (To Leave)