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**B.Com. (Part-I) Examination,
Mar.-Apr., 2023**

(Foundation Course)

Paper : II

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Minimum Pass Marks : 25

Note : Answer all questions. Internal choices are given within questions.

UNIT-I

Q. 1. Do as directed (any twenty) of the following : **20**

(a) Insert articles in the blanks wherever necessary :

- (i) We had _____ dinner at _____ new restaurant.
- (ii) _____ youngest brother is at _____ school now.

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- (iii) _____ donkeys are regarded as _____ stupid animals.
- (iv) Do you prefer _____ book of _____ poetry or _____ stories ?
- (b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate present indefinite or present continuous forms of the verbs provided in the brackets :
- (v) Children _____ to play cricket. (love)
- (vi) My brother _____ a novel now. (read)
- (vii) He rarely _____ a pen, but he _____ one now. (use)
- (c) Supply 'too' or 'very' to complete the sentences :
- (viii) I am _____ tired.
- (ix) It is _____ hot to work today.
- (x) I am _____ busy to see you today.
- (d) Supply 'if', 'even if', 'unless' or 'otherwise' in the following sentences as appropriate :
- (xi) You will be dismissed _____ you agree to do as you are told.

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- (xii) He will come _____ you write to him.
- (xiii) _____ you don't like samosa, try something else.
- (e) Fill in the blanks with suitable modals for the meaning given in brackets :
- (xiv) We _____ aim at noble goals. (desirability)
- (xv) I _____ run a mile when I was young. (ability in past)
- (xvi) _____ you prosper and live long ! (blessing)
- (f) Change the voice of the following sentences :
- (xvii) Some one is following us.
- (xviii) Can you speak English.
- (xix) A mistake was made in identifying the criminal.
- (xx) The Earth is known to be round.
- (g) Fill in the blanks with preposition wherever necessary :

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- (xxi) Tanuja asked her father _____ money.
- (xxii) He sold the statue _____ an American dealer _____ Rs. sixty thousand.
- (xxiii) Buying presents _____ children is sometimes very difficult.
- (xxiv) I am going _____ home _____ Saturday.
- (xxv) He told lies _____ the police.

UNIT-II

Q. 2. (a) Read the following passage and answer the following questions : 5

Jawaharlal Nehru, our former Prime Minister, had time and again emphasised that India must try to bring about a socialistic pattern of society. But we may ask what is the meaning of this socialistic pattern of society ? Is it just another name for communism ? The answer is no. There is a vast difference

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between the Russian nation of communism and our ideal socialistic pattern. Where as in Russia every form of enterprise is in the hands of the Government, in India, individual will always be allowed to carry on private business. Besides, we hope to bring about this new socialistic pattern slowly and steadily. It will be a kind of bloodless revolution.

Questions :

- (i) What had Nehru told us again and again ?
- (ii) What is the difference between communism and socialism ?
- (iii) How will this socialistic pattern be brought about ?
- (iv) What is meant by bloodless revolution ?
- (v) Give a title to the passage.

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- (b) Give synonyms of any five : 5
ancient, basic, custom, obtain, rescue,
dominant, chaotic
- (c) Give antonyms of any five : 5
truth, poverty, long, rapid, zenith, many, excel
- (d) Give the meaning of any five and use them
in sentences of your own : 5
prolonged, isolated, emergence, boycott,
propoganda, juncture, microcosm, benign

UNIT-III

- Q. 3. Write a paragraph on any one of the following
topics in about 100 words : 10
- (a) Hindu Homes and Art
- (b) The Influence of Mahatma Gandhi on the
West
- (c) The Vedic Literature of India
- (d) Regionalism in India
- (e) Saving our Environment

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UNIT-IV

- Q. 4. (a) Write a letter to your father informing about
your progress in studies. 5

OR

Write a letter to your friend about annual day
celebration in your college.

- (b) Write an application to your principal for one
week's leave. 5

OR

Write an application to the collector of your
district regarding environmental pollution in
your city.

UNIT-V

- Q. 5. Attempt any five of the following questions : 3×5
- (a) What are the two qualities of mind presented
in the poem ?
- (b) What did the tribes and races that made
India their home bring with them ?
- (c) Mention the practical blessings conferred on
the world by India.

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- (d) What did Katha Upanishad speak about human body ?
 - (e) How would you describe the Vedic Hymns ?
 - (f) Which deified animals get honourable mention in the Ramayan ?
 - (g) Why was the Simon Commission appointed by the British ?
 - (h) What did Gandhiji exhort people to do when he addressed them on the way to Dandi ?
 - (i) Define Regionalism.
 - (j) What is the significance of fundamental duties ?
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