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पूर्णांक / Max. Marks - 100

समय / Time - 3 घंटे/3 Hours

**Section A**  
**(Reading – 20M)**

**Q.1. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions: 10**

- (i) To make our life a meaningful one, we need to mind our thoughts, because our thoughts are foundations, the inspiration and the motivation power of our deeds. We create our entire world by the way we think. Thoughts are the causes and the conditions are the effects. Our thoughts affect the whole body. Each thought once generated and sent out becomes independent of the brain and mind and will live upon its own energy depending upon its intensity.
- (ii) Our circumstances and conditions are not dictated by the world outside; it is the world inside us that creates the outside. Self-awareness comes from the mind, which means the soul. Mind is the sum of total of the states of consciousness grouped under thought, will and feeling. Besides self-consciousness, we have the power to choose and think. What we choose is what we become. That is why, it is extremely important that we choose to remain positive and harbour positive thoughts.
- (iii) Krishna says, “No man remains inactive even for a moment”. If we are inactive physically, we may be active mentally. Therefore, if we observe ourselves, we can easily mould our thoughts. If our thoughts are pure and noble, naturally actions follow the same. If our thoughts are filled with jealousy, hatred and greed, our actions will be the same.

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- (iv) Thoughts are more responsible and dynamic than an act. One may perform a charitable act, but if he does not think charitably and is doing the act just for the sake of gain and glory, it is his thoughts that will determine the result. No matter how small the thought, these small thoughts are like seeds that grow together to make up a large tree or a thought that determine one's general character.

**Answer the following questions:**

- The foundation of our deeds is .....  
 (a) thoughts (b) inspiration  
 (c) motivation (d) power
- The meaning of the word 'entire' in para -1 is.....  
 (a) partial (b) whole  
 (c) extended (d) incomplete
- The meaning of the word 'harbour' in para-2 is .....  
 (a) forget (b) remember  
 (c) hold (d) give
- Thoughts germinate .....  
 (a) in body (b) in brain and mind  
 (c) heart (d) none of these
- Self awareness .....  
 (a) can be taught (b) is imitation of others  
 (c) comes from inside (d) comes from parents
- Mind is the sum of.....  
 (a) thoughts (b) will  
 (c) feeling (d) all the above

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7. Whatever we choose in our life makes .....
- (a) our character (b) us comfortable  
(c) us choosy (d) our fortune
8. To mould our thoughts we must .....
- (a) read daily good thoughts (b) observe ourselves  
(c) observe others (d) meditate
9. If our thoughts are good and noble we will become.....
- (a) greedy (b) jealous  
(c) good (d) bad
10. If our thoughts are filled with jealousy, hatred and greed, we will become.....
- (a) noble (b) good  
(c) respectable (d) bad

**Q.2. Read the passage given below and answer the following questions:**

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Sanskrit literature is as vast as the human life. There are four aims of human life which are called Purusharthas. They are Dharma, Artha, Kama and Moksha. Dharma stands for the duties and responsibilities of man. Artha communicates the monetary necessities; Kama stands for the human desires of all types and Moksha is freedom from birth and re-birth and worldly involvement. Any and every literature surrounds these four aims of human life. Sanskrit literature first presents Vedas which are the basis for Dharma. Vedas are the root of Dharma. There are four Vedas Rigveda, Yajurveda, Samaveda, and Atharvaveda. Brahman granthas explain the Vedic literature and give the detailed process to perform the Yajnas. Aranyakas and Upanishads discuss the internal meaning of the Vedas and the path of renunciation – Moksha Purushartha. Pratishakhyas explain the grammatical issues of the Vedas. Six Vedangas i.e., Shiksha, Vyakarana, Kalpa, Chhandas,

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Nirukta, and Jyotish help to understand the Vedas. As per the Indian tradition the Veda is not written by any author but in fact it is the respiration of God. Veda has been seen by the seers, the Rishis. Later this enormous mass of Veda was divided into four Samhitas by the great seer Maharshi Krishna Dvaipayana Veda Vyasa.

**Answer the following questions:**

1. Write name of all Vedangas.

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2. Define Dharma.

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3. What do Upanishads discuss ?

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4. Write the aims of human life?

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5. Write the gist of the above passage.

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**Set-B**  
**(Grammar and Writing – 40M)**

**Q.3.** Underline the gerunds in the following sentences. **5**

1. When I went to garden, I saw the gardener digging the ground.
2. Walking is the best exercise for body.
3. We see children bursting firecrackers on Deepawali.
4. Gardening is the best hobby to keep environment green and clean.
5. We can hear people chanting mantras in the temples.

**Q.4.** Change voice of the following sentences. **5**

1. I play cricket. -----
2. She cooked food. -----
3. He will buy books. -----
4. They are reciting mantras. -----
5. You were writing a letter. -----

**Q.5.** Underline pronoun in the following sentences. **5**

1. Ram is a good boy. He helps needy.
2. Sita is my sister. She studies in class 12.
3. Ram and Mohan are best friends. They help each other.





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**Q.8.** Fill in the blanks with correct words given in brackets. **5**

1. I kept my book ----- the table. (on / at / in)
2. The cat jumped ----- the chair. (on / over / at)
3. Students are sitting ----- the class. (in / at / on)
4. I have been waiting for you ----- morning. (for / since / in)
5. If you ----- work, you will not pass. (does not / do not / did not)

**Set-C**

**(Literature – 40M)**

**Q.9. Read the stanza given below & answer the following questions:**

Far far from gusty waves these children's faces.

Like rootless weeds, the hair torn around their pallor :

The tall girl with her weighed-down head.

The paper-seeming boy, with rat's eyes.

**Questions**

- (a) Name the poem and the poet. **2**

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- (b) How do the faces and hair of these children look ? **2**

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- (c) Where do you think are these children sitting ? **1**

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**Q.10. Answer the following questions in 25 to 30 words. (Any 5)**

**2 × 5 = 10**

a) Who was known as 'Vedamurti' ?

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b) Name the commentators of the Vedas.

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c) Who are Agni, Yama, Matarishvan ?

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d) Who established 'Arya Samaj'?

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- e) Name the judge of Supreme Court who pronounced the judgement on Vedic knowledge.

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- f) How do our thoughts impact our present and future ?

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**Q.11. Answer the following questions in 50 to 60 words each. (Any 5) 3 × 5 = 15**

- a) Complete the following :

- (i) माताभूमिः पुत्रोऽहं पृथिव्याः।

This mantra means .....

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This mantra is taken from .....

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(ii) सत्यं वद। धर्मं चर। स्वाध्यायान्मा प्रमदः।

This mantra means .....

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This mantra is taken from .....

b) Why is the thing of beauty a 'joy forever' ?

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c) Why is Sanskrit the most wonderful language ?

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d) Describe the patience of 'Mother Earth' as portrayed in the poem.

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e) Who are bipeds and quadrupeds.

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f) Name the texts on which Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan wrote commentaries.

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