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B.Tech. 2nd Semester Examination, May-2016

COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN ENGLISH

Paper-HUM-102-F

Common for all branches

Time allowed : 3 hours]

[Maximum marks : 100

**Note :** Attempt five questions in all, selecting at least one question from each section. Question No. 1 is compulsory. Each question carries 20 marks.

1. Give short answers : 20

- (i) Use following phrases in sentences :  
Call off, Burn out, Apply for, Hold on, Pick up.
- (ii) Give meaning of the following foreign words :  
Malafide, Alumni, Exparte, Per Capita, Viva-voce.
- (iii) Write short note on 'Fricatives.'
- (iv) Discuss briefly about the importance of technical education.

**Section-A**

2. (a) Correct errors in any ten of the following sentences : 10

- (i) His English knowledge is very poor.
- (ii) Everyone did their job.
- (iii) One should respect his elders.
- (iv) He left the college latest of all.
- (v) Principal of this college is coming.
- (vi) Last night you returned lately.
- (vii) I did nothing but cried.

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- (viii) A lot of time have been wasted.  
 (ix) A number of books is missing.  
 (x) There was no windows in our room.  
 (xi) He would come, if you wished it.  
 (xii) He is long known to me.  
 (xiii) He behaved friendly.
- (b) Explain the meaning of the following idioms by using them in sentences of your own : (Any five):  
 $2 \times 5 = 10$   
 The whole wine yards, Dark horse, from pillar to post, cut poor figure, sixth sense, make no bones about, Pull the Plug, Break the ice.
3. (a) Differentiate between the following pairs of words by making sentences (any five): 5  
 Sale – Sail, Yet – Still, Tamper – Temper, Wish – hope, Adopt – Adept, Access – Excess, Amoral – Immoral.
- (b) Substitute any five of the following with one word: 5  
 (i) A study of plants  
 (ii) One who mends shoes.  
 (iii) One who settles in another country.  
 (iv) Store house of grains.  
 (v) Short stories with an element of moral.  
 (vi) Something that can be eaten.  
 (vii) A book which contains telephone addresses.
- (c) Add suffixes: 5  
 Auto, act, function, bond, port.

- (d) Add prefixes 5  
 motive, date, side, base, cade

### Section-B

4. (a) Indicate Primary stress in following words (any ten) 10  
 Familiar, Sentence, Matches, Politician, Factory, Umbrella, Produce, Self-Study, Disclose, Invention, Annual, Popular.
- (b) Write short notes on: 10  
 (i) Falling-rising tone  
 (ii) What is word stress?
5. Write a dialogue between a teacher and a parent discussing learning problems of the students. 20
6. Develop a Group Discussion on: The Young generation is crazy for Brand Names. 20

### Section-C

7. Write a slogan on illiteracy: A curse. 20
8. Write a letter to a party reminding them of a due payment which they have to make against the receipt of computers ordered by them. 20
9. Draft an e-mail to the editor of the Tribune, Chandigarh expressing your views on 'Moral Decadence in Public Life'. 20