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( February )

ENGLISH

( **Compulsory English** )

( Common Paper for B.Com,  
BCA and BSW )

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

SECTION—I

Answer *any four* questions

1. Describe Ruskin Bond's childhood. 10

*Or*

Give a brief account of Ruskin Bond's *Life at My Own Pace*.

2. Why is Herman Wouk against advertising? 10

*Or*

Discuss how advertising influences the buying habits of people in Herman Wouk's *A Talk on Advertising*.

3. What inspiration do you get from the life of J. R. D. Tata? 10

*Or*

Describe J. R. D. Tata's tenure with Tata Steel.

4. Why does Dylan Thomas want people to fight against death even though it is ultimately inevitable? 10

*Or*

Why does Dylan Thomas talk about not going gentle into that good night?

5. In the poem, *View with a Grain of Sand*, how does Szymborska make the readers question their interpretation of the world around them? 10

*Or*

Bring out the difference between the world of nature and the world of man in the poem, *View with a Grain of Sand*.

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SECTION—II

6. Write an essay on any *one* of the following : 10
- (a) Advantages and disadvantages of online education
- (b) India's performance in Tokyo Olympics, 2020
- (c) Your favourite past time

SECTION—III

7. Draft a letter applying for the post of Accountant in a reputed multinational company. Mention your educational qualifications and work experience, if any. 7

Or

Draft a memo to an employee asking him to submit the report of a project that was assigned to him two months ago.

8. You are the convener of a Social Work Committee of your college. On Environment Day, this Committee will be organising a Cleaning Drive and Tree Plantation Programme.
- Write a notice and the agenda for a meeting to discuss the programme mentioned above. 8

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Or

Draft a show-cause notice to an employee asking him/her to explain his/her unauthorised absence from work and why action should not be taken.

9. Answer any *one* of the following : 10
- (a) As President of the Student Council of your college, prepare a series of five slides requesting the Principal of the Institution to look into the possibility of decreasing the college fees in COVID time.
- (b) As an advertising agent, write out a series of slides for a new brand of smart phone.

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