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BEGS–183

**BACHELOR OF ARTS
(CBCS) (GENERAL) (BAG)**

Term-End Examination

June, 2024

BEGS–183 : WRITING AND STUDY SKILLS

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : *All questions are compulsory.*

1. Answer any **three** of the following in around

100 words each :

3×5=15

- (a) What do you understand by the term ‘Synthesising’ ? How does ‘Synthesising’ become an important step in the writing process ?
- (b) Why is it important to edit/proofread your writing ?

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- (c) What strategies can help you to make a piece of argumentative writing most effective ?
- (d) How can a tree diagram be used to organise and present information ? Give an example.

2. Answer any **one** of the following in around **200** words : 10

- (a) What are the strategies you would adopt to be a 'critical reader' ?

Or

- (b) What are the *three* major types of study skills ? Explain how they can help us to become better learners.

3. Write a well-structured composition (with a clear beginning, body and conclusion) on the following topic : 7

“Creating awareness among school children about the importance of extracurricular activities.”

4. Write a formal letter to the senior manager of a leading company in your town/city applying for the position of an analyst. 5

5. The student council in your college has conducted a meeting to discuss the implications of the National Education Policy (2020). Write a report of the meeting. 6

6. Read the passage given below and answer the questions :

Climate change refers to long-term shifts in temperatures and weather patterns. These shifts may be natural, such as through

variations in the solar cycle. But since the 1800s, human activities have been the main driver of climate change, primarily due to burning fossil fuels like coal, oil and gas.

Burning fossil fuels generates greenhouse gas emissions that act like a blanket wrapped around the Earth, trapping the sun's heat and raising temperatures. Examples of greenhouse gas emissions that are causing climate change include carbon dioxide and methane. These come from using fossil fuels for driving a car or for heating a building, for example. Clearing land and forests can also release carbon dioxide. Greenhouse gas concentrations are at their highest levels in 2 million years and emissions continue to rise. As a result, the Earth is now about 1.1°C warmer than it was in

the late 1800s. The last decade (2011-2020) was the warmest on record.

Many people think climate change mainly means warmer temperatures. But temperature rise is only the beginning of the story. Because the Earth is a system, where everything is connected, changes in one area can influence changes in all others.

The consequences of climate change now include, among others, intense droughts, water scarcity, severe fires, rising sea levels, flooding, melting polar ice, catastrophic storms and declining biodiversity. Switching energy systems from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources like solar or wind energy will reduce the emissions driving climate change.

Questions :

- (i) (a) What is a 'topic sentence' ? 1

(b) In your opinion, which is the topic sentence in the above passage ?

Justify your answer. 1

(ii) Give a suitable title to the above passage. 1

(iii) Write a summary of the above passage in your own words (in around **75** words). 4