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**B.A. KARNATIC MUSIC (DISTANCE EDUCATION)
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PAPER : ENGLISH

Time : 3 hrs.

Marks: 100

Note : **Answer any FIVE questions**
All questions carry equal marks.

PART - I

I. Answer any FOUR of the following.

4 x 5 = 20

- a) Who is Madonna?
- b) What is main focus of Gardiner's essay "On Shaking Hands"? Discuss.
- c) Explain the difference between making New Wave films and the conventional ones.
- d) What does the traveler see?
- e) What are the two sides of Mr.Kelada's personality? Which side did the narrator see first? Which side did he find at the end? Substantiate this with illustrations from the story.
- f) Explain the ways in which India has been a leader in non-violent revolution.
- g) What are the Hebrides and why are they "Farthest".
- h) What appears in the background of the photograph?

II. Answer any THREE of the following.

3 x 5 = 15

- a) The undernourished, deprived and economically backward people in the history of humankind are mirrored in the poem, "Refugee Mother and Child". Explain.
- b) The poem is a typically Indian poem in many ways. Justify this with examples.
- c) Discuss the Trauma, the suffering and the sense of loss that is at the centre of this poem.
- d) The poem "Solitary Reaper" explains that the song lives on, though people and situations may not. Discuss.
- e) Present the main ideas and comparisons in the poem. "The Sun Rising".
- f) There is a spirit of regret, nostalgia and longing in the poem, "The Road Not Taken". Discuss.

III. Answer any TWO of the following.

2 x 10 = 20

- a) Write your curricula vitae.
- b) Write brief Newspaper reports of two short paragraphs each to suit the following headlines.
 - i) Theme park for children inaugurated
 - ii) Sitar maestro honoured
- c) Write reports to three short paragraphs each on the following topics for your college magazine.
 - i) Ragging
 - ii) Importance of Distance Education
- d) Expand any two of the proverbs listed below in two short paragraphs.
 - i) Little strokes tell great oaks.
 - ii) Better later than never
 - iii) Pride comes before a fall
 - iv) All is fair in love and war

PART - II

IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. 5 x 1 = 5

In a city, never mind what it was called, there lived a small girl of about five. The little girl had a mother and no one else. They lived together, the two of them, not well, not badly, but a life of some hardship. The mother was a Charwoman – the income was meager, every kopek had to be saved. But the girl was fed, dressed and had shoes on her feet. And the mother brought a lot of goodies from the hospital – sometimes candy, sometimes apples. The patients often gave her treats. Especially when they were being discharged. They were too happy to bother about carrying things back and so gave them away to the little girl's mother. They even gave away oranges.

- a) What is the name of the city?
- b) What is meant by 'goodies'?
- c) What did the patients often give 'her'?
- d) Who is the author of this lesson?
- e) What is the opposite of the word 'discharged'?

V. Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow: then, as you scan it, you see in the left-hand corner 5 x 1 = 5

a thing that is like a branch: part of a tree (balsam
as spruce) emerging
and, to the right, halfway up
what ought to be a gentle
slope, a small farm house
in the background there is a lake, and
beyond that, some low hills.

- a) Who is the narrator of the poem?
- b) What is seen in the left-hand corner?
- c) What is emerging?
- d) What is the synonym of “gentle”?
- e) What are balsam or spruce?

VI. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. 5 x 1 = 5

She went to work everyday, even on days when she was sick or when her stomach was empty, to the highway they were building near our village. She would leave at six in the morning after drinking the strong, sweet tea I made for her. She coiled a rag on her head, ready for the baskets of gravel she would carry all day. One her hip she held the youngest, who she was still breast feeding. The other two stayed at home with me. I would get my brother Selvan ready for school, feed him his gruel, oil and comb his hair, and wave at him from the door of our hut. “That Perumayee is like a little mother”, everyone said. Then Thayee my baby sister, and I would begin our chores for the day.

- a) Who is the ‘I’ in the passage?
- b) How does she prepare Selvan for school?
- c) What is meant by Chores?
- d) How did ‘she’ go to work everyday?
- e) What is the antonym of ‘empty’?

PART - III

VII. A) 1) Fill in the blanks with appropriate pronouns given in the brackets. 2

- a) One must be patient with (their/one’s) children.
- b) He enjoyed (himself/no pronoun) during Summer vacation.

2) Fill in the blanks using the appropriate form of verb in the brackets. 4

- a) She (work) at Infosys for 3 years.
- b) Where (be) you last evening?
- c) They (telecast) the programme last Monday.
- d) I (not know) you were left-handed.

3) Fill in the blanks with correct phrasal verbs choosing from the brackets : 2

- a) He to his promise. (lived after/ lived up/ lived out)
- b) Though our friends started late, they with us soon.
(caught off/ caught in/ caught up)

4) Change the voice of the following sentences.

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- a) Robin sent his sister an Email. (Passive)
- b) The bridge is being repaired. (Active)

B) 1) Read the following passage and make notes from it :

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In Venice there lived a Jew and money lender called Shylock. He earned a lot of money because he used to lend money at high rates of interest. Antonio was a merchant of Venice and hated Shylock for his ways.

One day Bassanio, a good friend of Antonio, come and told Antonio that he wanted to regain his riches by marrying a lady who had inherited wealth from her father. Portia was that lady. Bassanio and Portia had met each other earlier. Bassanio felt that he should go to her with three thousand ducats and propose to her. Antonio did not have money but he was expecting some ships with merchandise. Hence he decided to go to Shylock and borrow money upon the credit of the ships on sea. Shylock who knew full well that Antonio disliked him, tells him that if he fails to repay the borrowed money within three months, a pound of flesh would be cut from Antonio's body as penalty and given to Shylock.

OR

Write a report of three short paragraphs on your visit to a historical monument.

2) In response to the following advertisement, prepare your CV and apply.

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Wanted sales executive with excellent communication in Hindi, English, Telugu and Tamil. Should be a graduate with knowledge of

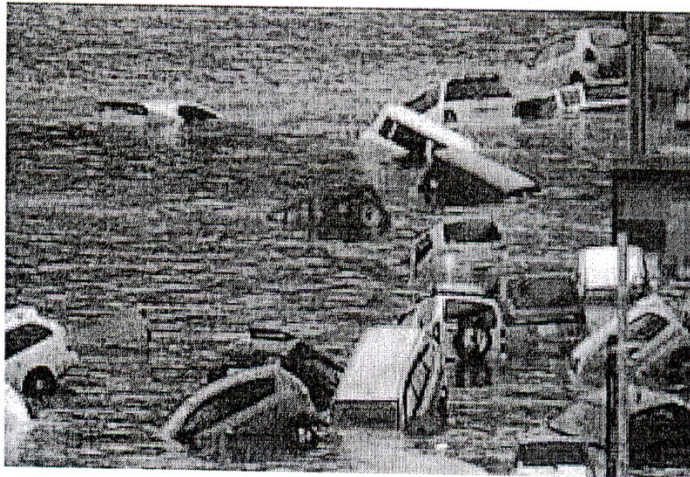
Latest Mobile features apply to :

A Diploma in Electronic Communication desirable MTS Inc.,

Road VII, Raj Bhavan Rd., New Delhi – 17.

OR

Describe the following picture in a paragraph of six to eight sentences.



C) 1) Re-arrange the following jumbled sentences in a logical and coherent manner :

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- a) Why, only last year he had a five-shilling rise – didn't you?
- b) We realized how uneconomic it is to go on paying rent year after year, when you can buy and enjoy a home of your own for ten pounds – and a few quarterly payments.
- c) There's something in that. Even so, you must be getting on very well to keep up a place like this.
- d) Of course that was nothing, really. I am expecting the this Christmas.
- e) I've just thought of something. That car is it yours?
- f) Of course it's ours.

OR

Write a paragraph based on the hints given below :

Thank goodness a bridge at the second river
seeing it spirit strove forward faster A flimsy thing
..... a bridge bamboo poles stony river bed
and tied round filled with stones piers of the
bridge bamboos laid from pillar to pillar laced with thick
grass Surfaced with river gravel.

2) Expand the following in a short paragraph :

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Spare the rod spoil the child.

OR

A friend in need is a friend indeed.

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