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B. Tech. (First Semester)

End Semester EXAMINATION, 2017

(All Branches)

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) This question paper contains *five* questions.

(ii) All questions are compulsory.

(iii) Instructions on how to attempt a question are mentioned against it.

(iv) Total marks assigned to each question are **twenty**.

1. Attempt any *two* questions of choice from (a), (b) and (c). (2×10=20 Marks)

(a) Use the verbs given in brackets either in active or passive as the case may be :

(i) The teacher with the students yesterday for their misbehaviour.

(annoy)

(ii) The criminals should at the earliest.

(punish)

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- (iii) I that he was working hard.
(convince)
- (iv) Prohibition in many states lately
by the state governments. (enforce)
- (v) His parents when he did not
arrive at the function. (disappoint)
- (vi) Our leaders ought to honestly in
the interest of common people. (behave)
- (vii) Children should with
responsibility to make them feel
responsible. (entrust)
- (viii) I to see my Aunt when I reached
home. (amaze)
- (ix) My father when he sees my
brother's report. (please)
- (x) The eldest son the burden of the
whole family these days. (bear)

(b) Write the past form and past participle form
of the verbs given below :

(For example : See (base form) – Saw (past)–
Seen (past participle)

- (i) Fall
(ii) Fly
(iii) Stick
(iv) Sting
(v) Telecast
(vi) Arise

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- (vii) Blow
- (viii) Flee
- (ix) Find
- (x) Devise
- (c) Spot the error, if any, in the following
sentences :
- (i) Cattles are not allowed to enter this
ground.
- (ii) The enemy has received many
information's regarding the activities of
the army of our neighbouring country.
- (iii) Order has been issued for his transfer to
another district but he has not received
them so far.
- (iv) The hills of the Uttar Pradesh abound in
beautiful sceneries.
- (v) Although she has been studying English
for the last one year, she has yet to learn
the alphabets.

2. Attempt any *two* questions of choice from (a), (b)
and (c). (2×10=20 Marks)

(a) Choose the correct alternative from those
given in the brackets :

- (i) common sense can bring
success to you. (Little, A little, The little)

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- (ii) I requested him to bring me books. (few, a few, the few)
- (iii) days I passed in her company were exciting. (Few, A few, The few)
- (iv) There are five students in the class. (less, lesser, least)
- (v) My friend is than me. (elder, older, old)
- (vi) Lemon juice is preferable tea. (to, than, then)
- (vii) My sister is elder me by two years. (than, by, to)
- (viii) The mangoes taste (sweet, sweetly, sweeter)
- (ix) She talks (sweet, sweetly, sweeter)
- (x) Her voice sounds (harsh, harshly, harsher)
- (b) Fill up the blanks with suitable prepositions from the given alternatives :
- (i) His professional ability proves that he is cut..... for this job. (out, up, down)
- (ii) Nothing can deter him pursuing his aim of life. (from, for, in)
- (iii) The officials have the habit of fawning ministers. (on, above, in)

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- (iv) Consequent upon heavy loss he is worse these days. (upon, off, over)
- (v) Kanishka was initiated Buddhism by Buddhist monks. (to, into, in)
- (vi) Many Russians name their children Indians. (after, to, for)
- (vii) She could not muster courage to stand against the maltreatment. (to, up, about)
- (viii) Strangely her name did not occur me on the second meeting. (on, to, about)
- (ix) The whole town was plunged sorrow after the massacre of the students. (in, into, to)
- (x) The government acted judiciously to stave the crisis. (of, off, out)
- (c) In each of the following sentences choose the Verb in agreement with its Subject :
- (i) Many a bride (have, has) been burnt and killed for dowry.
- (ii) Each of these players (has, have) been warned not to repeat the silly mistake.

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- (iii) The mother as well as her children
(was, were) brought to the police station
for interrogation.
- (iv) The sum and substance of the passage
..... (is, are) beyond my understanding.
- (v) Four miles..... (is, are) not a long
distance for a young person like you.
- (vi) To take pay and then not to do work
..... (is, are) dishonest.
- (vii) The jury (are, is) divided in
their opinions.
- (viii) The strain of all the difficulties and
anxieties (was, were) more than
he could bear.
- (ix) The famous juggler and conjure
(was, were) too unwell to perform.
- (x) The formation of paragraphs
(is, are) very important.

3. Attempt any *two* questions of choice from (a), (b)
and (c). (2×10=20 Marks)

(a) Choose the most suitable alternative to make
the sentence logical in sense :

- (i) Being a philanthropist he this
institution.
- (A) founded
- (B) was founded
- (C) found

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- (ii) No one is allowed to the trees
in the forest.

(A) fall

(B) fell

(C) fallen

- (iii) I think she the clock this week.

(A) wounded

(B) wind

(C) wound

- (iv) She always illness, when she is
asked to study.

(A) affects

(B) effects

(C) effected

- (v) The poor woman the kettle on
the fire and went outside.

(A) lain

(B) lay

(C) laid

- (vi) She has in the bed for two hours.

(A) laid

(B) lain

(C) lay

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(vii) The executioner him till he died.

- (A) hanged
- (B) hung
- (C) hang

(viii) The traders suddenly the prices of crude oil last year.

- (A) rose
- (B) raised
- (C) rise

(ix) After she had dancing, she went to bed.

- (A) practiced
- (B) practised
- (C) practice

(x) The astrologer made a about the success of her son.

- (A) prophecy
- (B) prophesy
- (C) prophesied

(b) Change the given sentences into the indirect speech :

- (i) He said, "I have got a toothache."
- (ii) Manu said, "I am very busy now."
- (iii) She said, "I am reading Macbeth."

(iv) "Give me a cup of water," he told her.

(v) She said, "I am going to college."

(vi) She said to me, "I have done the homework."

(vii) Raju said, "Gautam must go tomorrow."

(viii) Geetha says, "My father is an Engineer."

(ix) He said, "I have passed the physical test."

(x) She said to me, "You are my only friend."

(c) One-word substitution :

(i) One who can use either hand with ease.

(ii) One who is unable to pay his debts.

(iii) One who runs away from justice.

(iv) One who is breaker of images and traditions.

(v) A husband ruled by his wife.

(vi) One who walks in sleep.

(vii) One who has lost one's parents.

(viii) One who looks at the bright side of things.

(ix) One who hates mankind.

(x) One who dies for his country or for a noble cause.

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4. Attempt any *two* questions of choice from (a), (b) and (c). (2×10=20 Marks)

(a) Out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences :

(i) A raised place on which offerings to a god are made :

- (A) Mound
- (B) Church
- (C) Altar
- (D) Platform

(ii) A study of human race :

- (A) Anthropology
- (B) Ethnology
- (C) Archaeology
- (D) Etymology

(iii) An expert in the area of the fine or other arts :

- (A) Neophyte
- (B) Amateur
- (C) Enthusiast
- (D) Connoisseur

(iv) Enclosure for birds :

- (A) Pen
- (B) Lair
- (C) Aviary
- (D) Nest

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(v) An inscription on a tomb :

- (A) Espionage
- (B) Epilogue
- (C) Epitaph
- (D) Elegy

(vi) Code of diplomatic etiquette and precedence :

- (A) Statesmanship
- (B) Diplomacy
- (C) Protocol
- (D) Hierarchy

(vii) To renounce a high position of authority or control :

- (A) Abduct
- (B) Abandon
- (C) Abort
- (D) Abdicate

(viii) An object or portion serving as a sample

- (A) Spectacle
- (B) Spectre
- (C) Specimen
- (D) Specification

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(ix) Release of a person from jail on certain terms and conditions :

- (A) Parole
- (B) Pardon
- (C) Parley
- (D) Acquittal

(x) Enclosed in a small closed space :

- (A) Closophobia
- (B) Claustrophobia
- (C) Clusterophobia
- (D) Liftophobia

(b) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

It was in Germany and France that the first successful attempts were made to produce an internal-combustion engine drive by petrol. in England people were strangely timid about horseless vehicles. English inventors were handicapped by a quaint old law that forbade any such vehicle to attain a greater speed than four miles an hour, and compelled each one to be preceded by a man carrying a red flag. This law was not repealed until 1896.

The earliest motor cars were looked upon as mere jokes, or as rather dangerous playthings, by everyone except their

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inventors. Some of them were single-seaters, others would carry two or even three people; but all were noisy, clumsy, queer-looking things. When in 1888, Carl Benz, a German, produced a three-wheeled, internal-combustion car, a great forward stride had been made. Another German, whose name, Daimler, is often seen on motor cars to this day, was experimenting about the same time, and testing a petrol- driven engine.

It is easy to understand how the introduction of the petrol-driven engine revolutionized road transport throughout the world. Until then the necessary power to push a vehicle along could not be obtained without the cumbersome tanks, boilers and furnaces of the steam engine. The internal-combustion engine is light in weight and small in size by comparison; the fuel is burned in it, so that there is no waste, like the dusty cinders of a coal fire.

Questions :

- (i) How did most people regard early motor cars ?
- (ii) How were all early motor cars looked upon and why ?

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- (iii) What made the English inventors handicapped ?
- (iv) What does 'repealed' mean ?
- (v) Which among the following words is as closely opposite to 'clumsy' ?
- (A) unhandy
- (B) refined
- (C) unusually large
- (D) unusual
- (c) Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is 'No error', the answer is (5). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any).
- (i) Despite of curfew (1)/ in some areas, minor (2)/ communal incidents were reported (3)/ from different areas of the walled city. (4)/No error (5)
- (ii) This comes (1)/ at a time (2)/ when fund allocation (3)/ is been doubled. (4)/No error (5)
- (iii) The area was plunged into (1)/ darkness mid a wave of (2)/ cheering and shouting (3)/ slogans like 'Save The Earth. (4)/ No error (5)

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- (iv) Illegal sand mining has become /(1) a boom business fuelled /(2) by the ever-increasing demand /(3) of the construction industry. /(4) No error /(5)
- (v) Much is the inflow of travellers that /(1) it is tough to book an air ticket /(2) to Ahmedabad and the international flights /(3) too are almost over-booked. /(4) No error /(5)
- (vi) Experts believe that a /(1) gradually decreasing infant mortality rate /(2) is lead to a proportionate /(3) decrease in the size of our brains. /(4) No error /(5)
- (vii) In just two months after having /(1) planted these, most of the plants have /(2) either dried up and are suffering /(3) due to lack of maintenance. /(4) No error /(5)
- (viii) In cities people don't /(1) always have the time to /(2) catch up with old friends or /(3) spend times with their family. /(4) No error /(5)
- (ix) The band have been /(1) performing a many cause-orientcd concerts /(2) to encourage people to come forward and /(3) lend their support to the noble cause. /(4) No error /(5)

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- (x) As market leaders, /(1) we have always been at /(2) the forefront of creating awareness /(3) between the public. /(4) No error /(5)

5. Attempt any *two* questions of choice from (a), (b) and (c). (2×10=20 Marks)

(a) Write an essay on the following topic (150-250 words) :

“Travelling the world affects life and personality.”

(b) Complete the following statements with the most appropriate option :

(i) Some people themselves into believing that they are indispensable to the organization they work for.

- (A) keep
- (B) fool
- (C) deluge
- (D) force

(ii) Mamta has good over the famous world languages.

- (A) authority
- (B) expertise
- (C) hold
- (D) command

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(iii) Kim's actions had pain and suffering on thousands of people.

- (A) deplored
- (B) eliminated
- (C) imposed
- (D) inflicted

(iv) The bus was the traffic and the Inspector asked the driver to move off.

- (A) failing
- (B) obstructing
- (C) obviating
- (D) hiding

(v) The petition before the court prayed for the appointment orders issued by the management.

- (A) removing
- (B) granting
- (C) posting
- (D) quashing

(vi) You are advised to show to the defeated army.

- (A) callousness
- (B) mercy
- (C) strictness
- (D) strength

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(vii) The Board of Directors showered on the chairman for his liberal policies.

- (A) denunciation
- (B) generosity
- (C) tribute
- (D) praise

(viii) A lady of few words she is given to answers.

- (A) copious
- (B) lingering
- (C) terse
- (D) brief

(ix) A character without a is a virtue of a leader.

- (A) stigma
- (B) adornment
- (C) strength
- (D) blot

(x) There was a atmosphere in the dressing room of the defeated team.

- (A) cheerful
- (B) dreadful
- (C) gloomy
- (D) jovial

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(c) Choose the most suitable alternative to make the sentence logical in sense :

(i) He had finished eating when the doorbell rang. (rarely, scarcely)

(ii) Alex died three days his ninetieth birthday. (before, ago)

(iii) I haven't gone skiing (late, lately)

(iv) She was so frightened that she could speak. (hardly, hard)

(v) I am happier than you are.

(much, very)

(vi) I will come to visit you

(gradually, by and by)

(vii) I have heard that he is smart.

(very, so)

(viii) The news of his dismissal hit him (hardly, hard)

(ix) Frank is not smart that he does not need to study. (so, very)

(x) I was for a very important appointment. (late, lately)

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