

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, KURUKSHETRA

**End Semester Examination, December 2019**

**(From July 2016 onwards)**

**(Re-appear)**

**Subject: Communication Skills in English**

**Max. Marks: 50**

**Subject code: HUT-107**

**Time: 3 hours**

**Instructions:**

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. This question paper contains **five** questions.

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1.	<p><b>A. Construct sentences using the following foreign phrases: (any 5) (5)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. bon voyage</li> <li>2. ipso facto</li> <li>3. prima donna</li> <li>4. faux pas</li> <li>5. dolce vita</li> <li>6. via media</li> </ol> <p><b>B. Write one word for the following sentences: (5)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. a citizen of the world</li> <li>2. a person who is above hundred years</li> <li>3. A critical judge of art and craft</li> <li>4. a contagious disease</li> <li>5. A person with imaginary symptoms and ailments</li> </ol>	(10)
2.	<p><b>A. Identify error in the statements and rewrite the correct one: (5)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The orchestra are about to play.</li> <li>2. I have visited Niagara Falls this weekend.</li> <li>3. I enjoyed from the movie.</li> <li>4. When I will arrive, I will call.</li> <li>5. I have been here for two months.</li> </ol>	(10)

	<p><b>B. Punctuate the following sentences: (5x1= 5)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. He said give me that book</li> <li>2. They are planning a long holiday in New Zealand</li> <li>3. Yes that s right</li> <li>4. We took bread cheese and fruits with us</li> <li>5. We had in fact lost all of our money</li> </ol>	
3.	<p><b>A. Write an essay on <u>any one</u> of the following topic given: (500 words) (5)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Indian Economy</li> <li>2. Privatisation of Education</li> <li>3. Social Media and Cyber Culture</li> <li>4. Effects of 'Global Warming' Around the World</li> </ol> <p><b>B. Complete the following short story based on your own imagination and creativity: (200 words) (5)</b></p> <p>An old man lived in the village. He was one of the most unfortunate people in the world. The whole village was tired of him; he was always gloomy, he constantly complained and was always in a bad mood.</p> <p>The longer he lived, the more bile he was becoming and the more poisonous were his words. People avoided him, because his misfortune became contagious. It was even unnatural and insulting to be happy next to him. He created the feeling of unhappiness in others.</p> <p>But one day, when he turned eighty years old, an incredible thing happened. Instantly everyone started hearing the rumour...</p>	(10)
4.	<p><b>A. Write a newspaper report on the 'Cultural Festival' you witnessed recently in your Institute. (250 words) (5)</b></p> <p><b>B. Write a notice informing students about the upcoming workshop on 'Professional Communication Skills and Work Culture' in the Institute. (50 words) (5)</b></p>	(10)



**5. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

**(10)**

OUR REAL PROBLEM in India is not political. It is social. This is a condition not only prevailing in India, but among all nations. I do not believe in an exclusive political interest. Politics in the West have dominated Western ideals, and we in India are trying to imitate you. We have to remember that in Europe, where peoples had their racial unity from the beginning, and where natural resources were insufficient for the inhabitants, the civilization has naturally taken the character of political and commercial aggressiveness. For on the one hand they had no internal complications, and on the other they had to deal with neighbours who were strong and rapacious. To have perfect combination among themselves and a watchful attitude of animosity against others was taken as the solution of their problems. In former days they organized and plundered, in the present age the same spirit continues - and they organize and exploit the whole world.

But from the earliest beginnings of history, India has had her own problem constantly before her - it is the race problem. Each nation must be conscious of its mission and we, in India, must realize that we cut a poor figure when we are trying to be political, simply because we have not yet been finally able to accomplish what was set before us by our providence.

This problem of race unity which we have been trying to solve for so many years has likewise to be faced by you here in America. Many people in this country ask me what is happening as to the caste distinctions in India. But when this question is asked me, it is usually done with a superior air. And I feel tempted to put the same question to our American critics with a slight modification, 'What have you done with the Red Indian and the Negro?' For you have not got over your attitude of caste toward them. You have used violent methods to keep aloof from other races, but until you have solved the question here in America, you have no right to question India.

In spite of our great difficulty, however, India has done something. She has tried to make an adjustment of races, to acknowledge the real differences between them where these exist, and yet seek for some basis of unity. This basis

has come through our saints, like Nanak, Kabir, Chaitanya and others, preaching one God to all races of India.

In finding the solution of our problem we shall have helped to solve the world problem as well. What India has been, the whole world is now. The whole world is becoming one country through scientific facility. And the moment is arriving when you also must find a basis of unity which is not political. If India can offer to the world her solution, it will be a contribution to humanity. There is only one history - the history of man. All national histories are merely chapters in the larger one. And we are content in India to suffer for such a great cause.

**Questions:**

1. How is India's problem not political but social? (2)
2. Explain: "What India has been, the whole world is now. The whole world is becoming one country through scientific facility" (3)
3. Write a summary of the passage. (3)
4. Write antonyms of the following words: (2)
  - a. humanity
  - b. arriving
  - c. same
  - d. scientific

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