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National Institute of Technology, Delhi

Name of the Examination: B. Tech. / M. Tech. / Ph.D.

Branch :CSE

Semester :EVEN

Title of the Course :Professional Communication

Course Code : HMB100

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Note :

Section A (10 marks)

Attempt all questions

1.a) Make the sentences from the following verbs in the required tense

- Trust; simple past
- not deduct; present progressive
- see; present perfect progressive
- read; future perfect progressive
- write; past perfect

1.b) Punctuate using suitable punctuation marks

- oh its time we left
- have you finished your meal
- its time to go
- shishir said i will not go home
- i want to buy clothes shoes books and a bag

Section B (20 marks)

Attempt any 4 questions (5 marks each)

- Define the three different types of sentences in English and give suitable examples
- Define three different types of writing. Describe your examination hall to your sibling who has never been to your college.
- Define Tone. What are the different uses of the Raising Tone and Falling Tone?
- Prepare a Précis of the following passage:

Delaying project clearance by "repeatedly asking for different studies" has not gone down well with the minister for environment and forests. The minister has set out the following priorities-zero corruption, fast project clearance, no compromise on the ease of doing business, and a wariness of NGOs funded by vested foreign interests. The government has not been holding back on clearing projects. It has pushed 2000 projects worth 10 lakh crore since taking over. The project approval time has been reduced to 190 days from 600 during the previous government tenure.

The minister's desire to push development is unexceptional. But some of his statements suggest that in his haste to do so, he may be compromising genuine environmental concerns. According to an expert present at the meeting, the minister wondered whether we should be bothered about cutting trees when jawans were dying at the border. He also saw no merit in putting speed breakers on highways to save animals when the CRPF jawans were getting hurt in blasts in Chattisgarh. Clearly, the minister is mixing patriotism with environmentalism though such a link is a real stretch. There have been some disturbing changes brought about by this government in

the field of environment. One is the removal of consent from gram sabhas while prospecting for minerals in forests. The other has been to reconfigure the national board of wildlife, something which is now under scrutiny of Supreme Court. The ministry has also allowed coal mines with a capacity of less than 16 million tonnes per year to expand without a public hearing. Another has been to ease forest norms and allow industries to come closer to national parks. These are all aimed at hastening development.

But the impact of environmental damage to lax laws can hurt business and development in the long run. In some cases unlike what the minister suggests, it is necessary to have several studies before it can be ascertained whether a project is viable or not. In the case of mining, projects have got held up in the past at huge cost and loss of investor confidence because the proper environmental procedures were not followed. Time and again the courts have had to step in to protect the environment and act against damaging practices. Development and environmental protection can easily go together but perhaps not at the pace that the government wants to set. It would be better to begin new projects with built-in environmental safeguards rather than make haste only to repent in leisure.

Source: "When haste is not necessary", Hindustan

Times, 23 January, p 12.

- 6) Write a paragraph on "Even-odd vehicle rule in Delhi: a necessary evil".

Section C (20 Marks)

Attempt any 2 questions (10 marks each)

7) Define phoneme and syllable. How many consonants and vowels are there in English language? Enlist the steps to find the number of syllables in a word. Give the structure of syllable in the following words: disdainfully, languages, university.

8) Transcribe the following sentences:

- a) I went to Bihar
- b) They sold their new car.
- c) I am not happy.
- d) Keep the chair in the balcony.
- e) Measure the water and pour it in the pot.

9) Answer the following questions (based on the story Toba Teg Singh)

- a) What does the definition "Pakistan, a place in India where they manufacture razors" signify?
- b) Describe any one inmate in the asylum.
- c) What is the significance of the nonsense words that Bishan Singh utters?
- d) What problems did the lover feel that he will face if the partition took place?
- e) In the end, how does Bishan Singh try to resolve the frustration? Is he successful? Explain.