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ENGLISH LANGUAGE (C)—Paper II

(Basic English)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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Attempt All questions.

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1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions which follow :

2×10=20

Subbulakshmi, generally known as M.S., is a famous singer of India. She has been called 'a queen of songs' and 'an enchanting singer'. She was born in 1916 and started her career at the age of 18 when she sang before the Madras Music Academy. In 1940, she married T. Sadasivam.

Soon after her marriage, subbulakshmi acted in her one and only film 'Mira'. Through this film she aroused the spiritual feelings of millions of Indians in south and north India. Since then she has given many recitals in India, America, South-East Asia and many countries of Europe. She sang at the Edinburgh festival in 1963 and at the U.N. in 1966.

(a) Answer the following questions briefly :

(i) Who is Subbulakshmi and what is she generally called ?

(ii) When was she born and when did she start her career ?

(iii) Which film did she act in ?

(iv) Where did she give her recitals ?

(v) What happened in 1963 ?

(b) Say whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) :

(i) Subbulakshmi is a famous singer of Afghanistan.

(ii) She has been called 'an enchanting singer'.

(iii) She acted in many films.

(iv) She could not impress anyone by her film 'Mira'.

(v) She sang at the U.N. in 1968.

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 2×10=20

Some insects live in groups and colonies. Ants live like this and so do some wasps. Insects that live and work together are called social insects and one of the best known social insects is the honey bee. There are many kinds of bees and some live on their own. Honey bees, however, have been kept by men for hundreds of years for their honey. These insects will live happily in a specially made wooden box called a hive, so they are sometimes known as hive bees.

(a) Answer the following questions briefly :

(i) Where do some insects live ?

(ii) Name the insects that live in groups and colonies.

(iii) Why are some insects called 'Social insects' ?

(iv) Which is one of the best social insects ?

(v) Why do men keep honey bees ?

(b) Say whether the following statements are True (T) or

False (F) :

(i) Some insects live in groups.

(ii) Honey bees are not social insects.

(iii) Honey bees are one of the best social insects.

(iv) Man keeps bees for silk.

(v) Bees cannot live in wooden boxes.

3. (A) Fill in the blanks in the following sentences adding the correct ending '-ing' or '-ed' to the underlined verbs (you may need to make changes in the spelling in some cases) :

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(i) Last week I read a very interest
book.

(ii) Everyone like the film *3 Idiots*.

(iii) My uncle has a walk stick.

(iv) I was shock by the news.

(v) Are you joke ?

- (B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate words from the ones given in brackets : 10

Recently we (invited/invitation) singer

Jimmy Sandhu to (performance/perform)

in our college. He (start/started) the

programme with one of his popular

(song/songs). Soon everyone was

(dance/dancing) to the music.

4. (A) Use appropriate conjunctions such as *and*, *or*, *because*, *but* and *until* to fill in the blanks in the sentences given below : 5

(i) He ran fast could not catch the train.

(ii) Goa Shimla are tourist places.

(iii) Please don't go away I return.

(iv) They are celebrating they have won a lottery.

(v) Either Kishore Mukesh should sing this song.

(B) Fill in the blanks by adding the correct article, *a*, *an*

or *the* :

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(i) Do you have spare pen ?

(ii) This isuseless phone.

- (iii) My neighbour has Alsatian
dog.
- (iv) Who is chief guest ?
- (v) Our team launched attack
on the rival team's goal.
- (vi) Are you person who helped
the patient ?
- (vii) Who is fastest runner in
this team ?
- (viii) *Ramayana* is epic.
- (ix) She works at reputed
business school.

5. Write a paragraph in about 100 to 150 words on

"My Favourite Film".

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6. Write a letter to your cousin who lives in another city,

inviting her/him to stay with you during the summer

vacations.

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