

HPF&AS (MAIN) EXAMINATION-2024

PAPER-I: ENGLISH AND HINDI

TIME: 03 hours

MAXIMUM MARKS: 150

Roll No. _____

Notes:

- i) **Question No. 1 is compulsory. Answer part (a) of Q. No. 1 in English and part (b) of Q. No. 1 in Hindi. Attempt any two questions from Part-I and any two questions from Part-II.**
 - ii) **All questions carry equal marks. Sub division of marks are indicated against each question.**
 - iii) **Attempt Part-I (ENGLISH) in English and Part-II (HINDI) in Hindi.**
 - iv) **Indicate the same Question No. and its parts as assigned in the Question paper, while answering the same, failing which such answer(s) may not be evaluated.**
 - v) **Attempt the questions and its parts in consecutive order.**
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Q. No.1 (a). Sh. Ganga Ram was appointed in the Department of Treasuries and Accounts, Finance Department and posted in District Treasury Office, Lahaul & Spiti at Keylong during September, 2021. He was asked to join within 15 days of receipt of the offer, which was ending on 30th October, 2021. There was heavy snowfall during this period in the tribal areas and the roads were blocked. He requested the Department to extend his joining time as he is not able to join due to road blockage and he was allowed extension for one month. The Head of Department was competent to grant maximum one month's extension in such cases under the rules. As the winter season had started and there was continuous snowfall during the season, the roads remain closed from October to April every year. He again requested that his joining time may kindly be extended till the vehicular traffic is operated after the winters.

You are required to examine the request of the applicant and submit a detailed note to the competent authority.

= (15 marks)

- (b).** सुश्री कंचन ने अनुभाग अधिकारी (सेक्शन ऑफिसर) पद के लिए विभागीय परीक्षा उत्तीर्ण कर ली है और अगले महीने के भीतर उनके पदोन्नति पाने की संभावना है। स्थानांतरण नीति के अनुसार, पदोन्नत कर्मचारियों को वर्तमान पद स्थापना स्थान से बाहर नियुक्त किया जाता है।

सुश्री कंचन वर्तमान में 30 सप्ताह की गर्भवती हैं और डॉक्टरों ने उन्हें पूर्ण विश्राम की सलाह दी है। इसके अलावा, उनके ससुर भी कैंसर से पीड़ित हैं, और उनकी देखभाल की जिम्मेदारी भी उन पर है। इन सभी परिस्थितियों को ध्यान में रखते हुए, उन्होंने प्राधिकरण से अनुरोध किया है कि उनकी पदोन्नति के बाद, स्थानांतरण नीति में शिथिलता प्रदान करते हुए, उन्हें वर्तमान स्थान पर ही नियुक्त किया जाए ताकि वे अपने पेशेवर और व्यक्तिगत जीवन के बीच संतुलन बना सकें।

आवेदक के अनुरोध की जांच करें और सक्षम प्राधिकारी को एक विस्तृत नोट प्रस्तुत करें।

= (15 marks)

PART-I (ENGLISH) (Attempt any two questions from this part)

Q. No. 2. Make a précis of the following and suggest a suitable title for the same.

"Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" is a visionary initiative aimed at reinforcing the bonds of unity, cultural integration, and mutual respect among the diverse regions of India. Launched with the objective of fostering a spirit of oneness across the nation, the program strives to bridge gaps among states and union territories through a series of cultural exchanges, educational collaborations, and shared development projects. In a country renowned for its multiplicity of languages, traditions, and customs, this initiative works to celebrate that very diversity while nurturing a common national identity.

At its core, "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" is about bringing people together. It encourages states with distinct cultural backgrounds to interact, learn, and grow from one another's experiences. For instance, partner states exchange representatives in areas such as art, cuisine, music, and literature, enabling a rich dialogue of traditions. These cultural interactions not only build awareness about each other's heritage but also instill a sense of pride and belonging among citizens, reinforcing the idea that India is a mosaic of interlinked cultures that together form a single vibrant nation.

Beyond cultural enrichment, the initiative emphasizes educational partnerships that enable the sharing of academic resources and best practices. Collaborative projects in research, technology, and innovation pave the way for economic advancement and progress. Educational exchanges allow students and teachers to experience different regional educational systems, leading to a broader perspective on issues such as sustainable development and technological growth. By forging these academic ties, the initiative contributes to the holistic development of India's human resources and prepares a generation that is both globally competitive and deeply rooted in its cultural ethos.

Moreover, "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" also focuses on strengthening economic integration by encouraging trade, tourism, and investment across state borders. Local entrepreneurs benefit from the exchange of market insights and business practices, while tourism initiatives help spotlight lesser-known regions, promoting inclusive growth and reducing regional disparities. This economic cooperation nurtures a sense of shared destiny among diverse communities, enhancing overall national prosperity.

The initiative also plays a significant role in addressing social challenges by promoting values such as tolerance, respect, and understanding. In a fast-globalizing world, where regional identities can sometimes lead to discord, this program acts as a unifying force that emphasizes the importance of empathy and shared progress. By fostering direct interpersonal connections and collaborative problem-solving, "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" contributes to the strengthening of democratic ideals and social cohesion.

In essence, "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" is not merely a government initiative but a movement that resonates deeply with the Indian ethos. It encapsulates the belief that the true strength of India lies in its ability to weave together the many threads of its diverse cultures into a resilient, unified tapestry. As citizens participate in this dialogue of diversity and inclusion, they build a future where every region, every language, and every tradition contributes to the country's collective excellence. The program serves as a reminder that while diversity is the hallmark of India, unity is its greatest strength.

(25+5=30 marks)

Q. No. 3 (a). Translate following passage into Hindi.

Meme culture has rapidly evolved into a potent tool for shaping political discourse in the digital age. No longer confined to humorous images or viral jokes, memes now serve as compact vessels of political commentary, distilling complex issues into accessible, shareable content. Social media platforms such as Twitter, Reddit, and Instagram have become fertile grounds for the creation and dissemination of memes that influence public opinion and political narratives. By condensing intricate political ideas into visually appealing formats, memes bypass traditional news filters and speak directly to the public, often resonating with younger, tech-savvy audiences. This digital phenomenon thrives on its ability to adapt quickly. A single meme can encapsulate public sentiment—whether outrage, approval, or scepticism—about recent political events, policy decisions, or electoral outcomes. Their brevity and wit make memes ideal for communicating nuanced viewpoints in an era marked by information overload. Furthermore, meme creators form dynamic communities where ideas are rapidly shared, critiqued, and iterated upon, thereby democratizing political expression. This participatory culture allows ordinary citizens to challenge established power structures and mainstream media narratives.

= (10 marks)

(b). Write the meaning of the following and use in sentences.

- i) Break the ice
- ii) Bite the bullet
- iii) Hit the nail on the head
- iv) Burn the midnight oil
- v) Spill the beans

(5x2=10 marks)

(c). Write at least three synonyms of the following words:-

- i) Happy
- ii) Sad
- iii) Quick
- iv) Calm
- v) Intelligent

(5x2=10 marks)

Q. No. 4 (a). Write a paragraph (in around 200 words) in English on any one of the following topics:

- i) Resource mobilisation in Himachal Pradesh
- ii) Drug abuse

= (15 marks)

- b). Write a letter to your friend informing him about the tax benefits announced by the Government of India while presenting Annual Budget for the year 2025-26.

= (15 marks)

PART-II (HINDI) (Attempt any two questions from this part)

- Q. No.5. डिजिटलीकरण (Digitization) और इसके लाभ पर लगभग 200 शब्दों में एक नोट लिखें।

= (30 marks)

- Q. No. 6 (a). श्री राम प्रकाश को विभागाध्यक्ष द्वारा प्रातः 11:00 बजे किए गए आकस्मिक निरीक्षण के दौरान कार्यालय में अनुपस्थित पाया गया। उनकी अनुपस्थिति के संबंध में कोई पूर्व सूचना या अवकाश आवेदन कार्यालय को प्राप्त नहीं हुआ। इस मामले में आगे की अनुशासनात्मक कार्रवाई करने से पहले, उन्हें कारण बताओ नोटिस जारी किया जाना आवश्यक है। कृपया इस संदर्भ में एक कारण बताओ नोटिस तैयार करें।

= (20 marks)

- (b). निम्नलिखित शब्दों का संधि विच्छेद करें।

- (i) दुर्दशा
- (ii) निर्माण
- (iii) संवेदनशील
- (iv) पर्यावरण
- (v) महोत्सव

(5x2=10 marks)

- Q. No. 7 (a). Translate following sentences into English:

- i) कृपया आवश्यक दस्तावेज़ अंतिम तिथि से पहले जमा करें।
- ii) अंतिम रिपोर्ट को विभागाध्यक्ष द्वारा अनुमोदित किया जाना चाहिए।
- iii) कर्मचारियों को कार्यालय के सभी नियमों का सख्ती से पालन करना आवश्यक है।
- iv) आधिकारिक पत्राचार को औपचारिक तरीके से तैयार किया जाना चाहिए।
- v) सभी कर्मचारियों को कार्य शुरू करने से पहले प्रतिदिन अपनी उपस्थिति दर्ज करनी होगी।

(5x2=10 marks)

- (b). निम्नलिखित का हिंदी में अनुवाद करें और वाक्य बनाएं।

- (i) Accountable
- (ii) No Confidence Motion
- (iii) Mandate
- (iv) Lock-in Period
- (v) Hire and Fire Policy

(5x2=10 marks)

- (c). नीचे दिए गए अनेक शब्दों के लिए उपयुक्त एक शब्द लिखें और उन्हें वाक्यों में प्रयोग करें।

- (i) जो आसानी से क्षमा कर देता हो।
- (ii) जो अधिक बोलता हो।
- (iii) जो मृत्यु से परे हो।
- (iv) जिसे कभी नष्ट नहीं किया जा सकता।
- (v) जो अकेला रहता हो।

(5x2=10 marks)