

B.Tech I Year I Semester (R15) Regular &amp; Supplementary Examinations December 2017

**FUNCTIONAL ENGLISH**

(Common to CE, EEE, CSE, ECE, ME, EIE and IT)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

**PART – A**

(Compulsory Question)

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- 1 Answer the following: (10 X 02 = 20 Marks)
- (a) Choose the suitable 'Preposition' for the following:
- (i) Nights are cool .....summer.  
(a) on (b) in (c) for (d) about
- (ii) She is eligible.....the post.  
(a) for (b) at (c) with (d) of
- (b) Choose the appropriate 'antonym' for the underlined words.
- (i) It was a voluntary gesture.  
(a) Compulsory. (b) Violent. (c) Deliberate. (d) Valuable.
- (ii) The Ganga is as deep in midstream as at the banks.  
(a) Wide. (b) Narrow. (c) Hollow. (d) Shallow.
- (c) Fill in the blanks with appropriate 'prefix'.
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_ obedience (Means not doing what you have been told by your elders).  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_ dependence (Means freedom/without dependency).
- (d) Fill in the blanks with appropriate 'future tense' verb forms.
- (i) Raju \_\_\_\_\_ (attend) the meeting tomorrow.  
(ii) The novel \_\_\_\_\_ (write) by Sashi.
- (e) Choose the suitable 'verb' forms from the given choices.
- (i) The new machine \_\_\_\_\_ (work/works) properly.  
(ii) Bread and butter \_\_\_\_\_ (is/are) essential for everyone.
- (f) Write 'noun' forms for the following words.
- (i) Examine. (ii) Govern.
- (g) Fill in the blanks with appropriate 'suffixes' and write the synonyms for the following:
- (i) Organize. (ii) Pity.
- (h) Write a tweet of not more than 120 characters about the visit of Ivanka Trump to our country.
- (i) Briefly write your views in support/opposing of social networking
- (j) Frame questions for the following sentences:
- (i) She felt better after she took a nap. (Begin with 'How')  
(ii) Virat came to the party at 9.00 pm. (Begin with 'What time..')

**PART – B**

(Answer all five units, 5 X 10 = 50 Marks)

**UNIT – I**

- 2 (a) Write the critical analysis of the poem 'On Killing a Tree' by Gieve Patel.  
(b) Describe your 'College Day Celebrations'.
- OR**
- 3 (a) To what extent would you say that the 'garbage culture' in India has come about because of a change in lifestyle?  
(b) Write a letter to your friend inviting him to your native place during 'Dasara' holidays.

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**R15****UNIT – II**

- 4 (a) What is cloud computing? List out few problems with cloud computing.  
(b) Make a note from the following:  
While all cultures share the same basic emotions, the forms of communication used throughout different cultures of the world vary enormously. What can mean one thing in one country, can often mean something completely different in another. For example, in North America and Europe people tend to prefer direct eye contact. But in some Asian countries such as Japan, Korea and Thailand, prolonged eye contact is considered rude.

So when persuading or communicating with people, always be aware of different cultural customs that may exist. This is especially relevant when you are traveling abroad and communicating with people from different countries. If you are not aware of such differences, you may be perceived as having poor communication skills, rude or offensive. The most apparently harmless gestures and customs—the thumbs-up sign, a casual greeting, certain types of gifts—can be radically misunderstood on foreign soil, with embarrassing or even dangerous consequences. Pointing with your finger is rude in so many countries it's probably wise just to abandon the gesture altogether overseas.

**OR**

- 5 (a) What is nanotechnology? List out some of the areas where nanotechnology is currently applied.  
(b) Make meaningful sentences using the following compound nouns:  
(i) Language teacher. (ii) Waste-paper basket. (iii) Grindstone. (iv) Air balloon. (v) Hard disk.

**UNIT – III**

- 6 (a) What is GM technology? Does GM technology increase yield? Illustrate.  
(b) Prepare and send an E-mail to your principal seeking long-leave on medical grounds as you failed to meet in person.

**OR**

- 7 (a) Describe the health problems that may be caused by e-waste.  
(b) List out some of the 'dos' & 'don'ts' in a Group Discussion.

**UNIT – IV**

- 8 (a) Write the functions of various spacecraft support systems of Hubble Telescope.  
(b) Write a review on a book you have read recently.

**OR**

- 9 (a) List the physical and biological adjustments that have to be made by the astronauts to adapt to the new environment.  
(b) Using the following prefixes/suffixes write words to give appropriate meaning and use them in your own sentences:  
(i) Tele \_\_\_\_\_. (ii) Photo \_\_\_\_\_. (iii) Ir \_\_\_\_\_. (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ful. (v) \_\_\_\_\_less.

**UNIT – V**

- 10 Write an essay on 'Newspaper versus Television.'  
**OR**  
11 Write a report on the role of fourth estate in the modern world.

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