**Bachelor of Arts Examination: October / November 2014**

**Part: II (Annual Pattern Repeater)**

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| **Day & Date** | **Paper No.** | **Subject Name** | **Time** | **Code** |
| **Tuesday**  **28/10/2014** | **P - II** | **C.C. English (For English Medium)** | **03. 00 PM**  **to**  **06.00 PM** | **1201** |

**Instructions:**

**Section I**

**Q1.** “Although a man of great volour , courage and strength, Okonkwo meets a tragic end.” Discuss with reference to the novel “Things Fall Apart” by Chinua Achebe.  **15**

**OR**

How did the advent of the White culture disturb the peace and harmony of the Ibo community in the novel “Things Fall Apart” by Chinua Achebe?

**Q2.** **Write short notes on any two of the following: 15**

1. The cultivation of yam
2. The arrival of the locusts
3. Unoka
4. Ezinma’s illness

**Q3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:**

Nasa is planning to launch robotic missions to make water on the Moon in 2018 and oxygen in Mars in 2020.

The Moon mission will be the US space agency’s first attempt to demonstrate in-situ resource utilization (ISRU) beyond Earth.

The purpose of ISRU, or “living off the land” is to harness and utilize space resources to create products and services which enable and significantly reduce the mass, cost and risk of near-term and long-term space exploration.

“Every pound that you don’t have to launch from the Earth of dumb mass – things like water and air and propellant – means that you can add a pound of intelligent mass – an experiment, a computer, something designed to accomplish some job or give us some capability,” said lunar geologist Paul Spudis, with the Lunar and Planetary Institute in Houston. “Doing ISRU gives you incredible leverage because you’re changing the fraction of intelligent-to-dumb mass on your spacecraft in favour of the intelligent part,” he said.

The first in-space ISRU test is targeted for 2018, ‘Discovery News’ reported.

Nasa plans to launch a mission called Resource Prospector that includes a rover with instruments to scout for telltale hydrogen, drill out samples, heat them and scan for water vapour and other volatiles on the moon. Vapour also could be re-condensed to form a drop of water.

“A lot of the technologies have broader use than just lunar… it’s just a convenient location to be testing the ISRU technology,” said Jason Crusan, director of Advanced Exploration Systems at Nasa headquarters in Washington DC. A second ISRU experiment is due to be aboard Nasa’s next Mars rover, which is slated for launch in 2020.

The device, which is yet to be selected, would pull carbon dioxide from the planet’s atmosphere, filter out dust and other particles and prepare the gas for chemical processing into oxygen. The demonstration also could include actual oxygen production, the report said.

**Questions:**

1. What will the Moon mission be a part of? Name the organization. **02**
2. What is other name of in-situ resource utilization? What does it aim to do?

**02**

1. What is ‘dumb mass’? **01**
2. What are Paul Spidis views on ISRU? **01**
3. Which material will be used to make water? **01**
4. Match the meanings of the words given in Columns A & B **03**

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| **A** | **B** |
| a. launch | 1. use |
| b. utilization | 2. locate |
| c. reduce | 3. cool |
| d. device | 4. lessen |
| e. scout | 5. send |
| f. condense | 6. instrument |

**Q4.** **A)** Prepare a questionnaire for the Senior Citizens of your area for finding out the kinds of problems they face related to health. **05**

**OR**

Prepare questions for interviewing a successful film actress.

**B)** Prepare a poster using slogans, logo, text and visuals on: **05**

I AM A TRUE INDIAN

**OR**

HEALTH IS WEALTH

**Q5.** Draft a report on the poor canteen facilities in your college and submit it to the President of the College student’s council.  **10**

**OR**

Prepare a newspaper report on the successful release of a Bollywood film that has entered the 100 – crore clubs.

**Q6.** Draft a complaint letter to Editor, ‘The Hindustan Times’ drawing the attention of the readers to the rise of illegal food stalls outside your college. **10**

**OR**

Draft a letter to the municipal authorities drawing their attention to the menace caused by the open gutters and drainages in your area.

**Section II**

**Q7. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:**

**Florida:** Mediation and spirituality are being increasingly embraced around the world, including in the west, as our lives are becoming more complex. Individuals are turning within, instead f only outside, to find solutions to life’s challenges. Spirituality is gaining popularity for a variety of reasons, including to search for deeper meaning in life, dealing with unbridled emotions or an unruly mind, overcoming fear of death or of life, bereavement, or health concerns, At a deeper level, our suffering has a common source.

As each of us becomes more entangled in the impermanence of the outer world, our level of dissatisfaction and disappointment with everyday life inevitably rises. Instead of indentifying with our inner self, as teachers from all wisdom traditions have implored us to do, our attention has remained aligned with the illusory self and transitory world outside. However, we do have the opportunity to turn all this around with *dhyana* or mediation, considered humanity’s panacea in that it allows us to reconnect with the Divine that is within each one of us.

Over the past 40 years, scientific interest in meditation has exploded, taking research through several phases. Early on, scientists documented the physiological impact of meditation on the body. By reducing the ‘fight or flight’ response triggered by the autonomic nervous system, deep contemplation produces profound relaxation and significant stress reduction.

**Questions:**

1. Why have people restored to spirituality in the present times? **02**
2. Which are the two major setbacks that people generally suffer from in the everyday life? **02**
3. How does ‘dhyana’ help to reunite ourselves with the divinity? **02**
4. How has the technique of meditation been studied during the last forty years? **02**
5. Make sentences of your own from the words given below: **02**
6. implore
7. align
8. Match the words given in Column A with their meanings in Column B **05**

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| **A** | **B** |
| a. complex | 1. imaginary |
| b. unbridled | 2. complicated |
| c. illusory | 3. limitless |
| d. panacea | 4. knowledge |
| e. wisdom | 5. medicine |
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**Q8.** Draft a complaint letter to the Commissioner of Police, Mumbai about the increasing number of kidnapping cases in your city. **15**

**OR**

Write a letter of complaint to the Post Master General of the local post-office about the missing posts of the residents in your housing society.