GENERAL STUDIES

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PAPER-II

Time Allowed: Three hours

Maximum Marks: 300

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Within about 100 words each, write on the following:

 $10 \times 4 = 40$

- (a) Role of technology in the promotion of democracy
- (b) Essential features of the Indo-US nuclear treaty
- (c) Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for rural development
- (d) Five-Year Planning and India's march towards a developed country
- **2.** Explain any *two* of the following statements with your reasoning within 100 words each: $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - (a) If China can do it; India also can convert its huge population into a resource rather than burden.
 - (b) Nuclear capability is a must to maintain regional balance and internal security for a country like India.
 - (c) Many Indian and multi-national companies are running into the villages, because this massive rural market can only save the economy of our country.
- **3.** Answer the following in about 25 words each:

4×5=20

- (a) What do you mean by the word 'generation' in computers?
- (b) What is CPU? How does it help the machine?
- (c) Who is Steve Jobs? Write about his unique contribution to communication technology.
- (d) What is 'binary system' of numbers? Explain with respect to the basic operations of a computer.
- (e) How do you take care of computer virus? What is exactly a virus?

4. Answer each question within 50 words:

5×4=20

- (a) Indian remote sensing satellites are helping the farmers to a large extent. How?
- (b) How do you think ISRO (Indian Space Research Organization) is performing compared to the other similar agencies of the developed countries?
- (c) What changes have you noticed in the attitude of the USA towards India after the election of Barak Obama as the President?
- (d) Do you think that 'terrorism' is coming down at a global level? Give a few examples.
- 5. Write an essay on any one of the following (maximum 250 words): 30
 - (a) Relevancy and necessity of UN peace-keeping forces in disturbed or war-affected countries
 - (b) Role of World Bank in developing the less developed nations of the world
- **6.** Write short notes on any four (maximum 30 words each): 5×4=20
 - (a) GATT
 - (b) UNESCO
 - (c) IMF
 - (d) NATO
 - (e) UNICEF
- 7. Explain the statements given below (maximum 150 words for each): 20×3=60
 - (a) Agriculture is the backbone of Indian economy that cannot be ignored in any way.
 - (b) The most talented, brilliant people of India reside abroad, which is not a positive sign for our development.
 - (c) Due to hostile neighbours across the borders, our country has not been able to develop in almost seven decades after Independence.

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- 8. (a) Define mean, median and mode for any statistical data and distribution.
 You may assume any set of data to show the examples.
 - (b) Construct a cumulative distribution table from the following frequency distribution and find the number of teachers earning less than Rs 25,000 per month:

Monthly salary

(in '000 Rs) : 18-20 20-22 22-24 24-26 26-28 28-30 No. of teachers : 15 41 73 37 21 13

(c) The following are the ages of 30 people who brought books of fiction from Bookland in the last week:

37 31 26 37 40 18 14 45 32 68

42 30 20 32 15 27 46 44 62 58

22 29 22 26 44 41 34 55 50 63

- (i) What conclusions can you draw about the bookstore from this set of data?
- (ii) Construct a six-category closed classification. From this can you conclude something more about Bookland?
- **9.** Write on the following within 100 words each: $10\times2=20$
 - (a) Recent developments in modern surgery of tumours and excess growths
 - (b) Developments in pathological and analytical medical tests and procedures
- 10. Write an essay on any one of the following topics (300 words limit):
 - (a) India's foreign policy and non-alignment
 - (b) Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) and the developing countries
 - (c) Most important political events of the year 2011

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