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AZAD JAMMU & KASHMIR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Exam for the post of: Section officer BS-17

Paper Composition and letter writing

Total Marks 100

Time: 3 hrs. Date: 27-7-2022

NOTE:

- (i) Attempt ALL questions.
- (ii) Candidate must write Q. No. in the Answer Book in accordance with Q. No. in the Q. Paper.
- (iii) No Page/Space be left blank between the answers. All the blank pages of Answer Book must be crossed.
- (iv) Extra attempt of any question or any part of the attempted question will not be considered.

Question 1: Make a precis of the following passage and give it a suitable title. (20)

Noor Inayat Khan had not been raised to undertake this sort of mission. The first-born daughter of Hazrat Inayat Khan, she was raised in an atmosphere that elevated harmony, peace and oneness of humanity. She had studied all the religious texts and also had taught classes on Sufism before the war began. She had been a student at the Sorbonne, travelling to Paris everyday from her home in Suresnes. Home was a stately brick house located halfway up a mountain that towers over the town. In Fazal Manzil, she lived with her mother Ora, an American who had married Hazrat Inayat Khan, her sister Claire and her brothers Vilayat and Hidayat.

Inayat Khan held classes for his Sufi students at Fazal Manzil. In the summers, an entire building was rented to provide a place to live for all the people who poured into the little town. Noor spent time discussing philosophical and mystical topics with her father and brothers, even performing housekeeping functions for the large household because her mother Ora spent most of her time alone and in bed.

And then it all fell apart. First, Hazrat Inayat Ali Khan left for a trip to India, which he had not visited for decades since he had first left for the West. Then, a few years later, war broke out. When Hitler first began his march of domination across Europe, few in France believed that he would ever get to France. Of course, this was not correct. War had broken out in 1939, and many began to fear that the Germans would likely occupy the country. In 1940, Noor, with her brothers and mother and as many valuables that she could muster, left Suresnes bound ultimately for the United Kingdom.

Question 2: Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (20)

He was dead--the head of a high tribunal, the upright magistrate whose irreproachable life was a proverb in all the courts of France. Advocates, young counsellors, judges had greeted him at sight of his large, thin, pale face lighted up by two sparkling deep-set eyes, bowing low in token of respect. He had passed his life in pursuing crime and in protecting the weak. Swindlers and murderers had no more redoubtable enemy, for he seemed to read the most secret thoughts of their minds. He was dead, now, at the age of eighty-two, honored by the homage and followed by the regrets of a whole people. Soldiers in red trousers had escorted him to the tomb and men in white cravats had spoken words and shed tears that seemed to be sincere beside his grave. But here is the strange paper found by the dismayed notary in the desk where he had kept the records of great criminals! It was entitled:

WHY?

20th June, 1851. I have just left court. I have condemned Blondel to death! Now, why did this man kill his five children? Frequently one meets with people to whom the destruction of life is a pleasure. Yes, yes, it should be a pleasure, the greatest of all, perhaps, for is not killing the next thing to creating? To make and to destroy! These two words contain the history of the universe, all the history of worlds, all that is, all! Why is it not intoxicating to kill?

25th June. To think that a being is there who lives, who walks, who runs. A being? What is a being? That animated thing, that bears in it the principle of motion and a will ruling that motion. It is attached to nothing, this thing. Its feet do not belong to the ground. It is a grain of life that moves on the earth, and this grain of life, coming I know not whence, one can destroy at one's will. Then nothing--nothing more. It perishes, it is finished.

26th June. Why then is it a crime to kill? Yes, why? On the contrary, it is the law of nature. The mission of every being is to kill; he kills to live, and he kills to kill. The beast kills without ceasing, all day, every instant of his existence. Man kills without ceasing, to nourish himself; but since he needs, besides, to kill for pleasure, he has invented hunting! The child kills the insects he finds, the little birds, all the little animals that come in his way. But this does not suffice for the irresistible need to massacre that is in us. It is not enough to kill beasts; we must kill man too. Long ago this need was satisfied by human sacrifices. Now the requirements of social life have made murder a crime. We condemn and punish the assassin! But as we cannot live without yielding to this natural

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and imperious instinct of death, we relieve ourselves, from time to time, by wars. Then a whole nation slaughters another nation. It is a feast of blood, a feast that maddens armies and that intoxicates civilians, women and children, who read, by lamplight at night, the feverish story of massacre. One might suppose that those destined to accomplish these butcheries of men would be despised! No, they are loaded with honors. They are clad in gold and in resplendent garments; they wear plumes on their heads and ornaments on their breasts, and they are given crosses, rewards, titles of every kind. They are proud, respected, loved by women, cheered by the crowd, solely because their mission is to shed human blood; They drag through the streets their instruments of death, that the passer-by, clad in black, looks on with envy. For to kill is the great law set by nature in the heart of existence! There is nothing more beautiful and honorable than killing!

30th June. To kill is the law, because nature loves eternal youth. She seems to cry in all her unconscious acts: "Quick! quick! quick!" The more she destroys, the more she renews herself.

2d July. A human being--what is a human being? Through thought it is a reflection of all that is; through memory and science it is an abridged edition of the universe whose history it represents, a mirror of things and of nations, each human being becomes a microcosm in the macrocosm.

3d July. It must be a pleasure, unique and full of zest, to kill; to have there before one the living, thinking being; to make therein a little hole, nothing but a little hole, to see that red thing flow which is the blood, which makes life; and to have before one only a heap of limp flesh, cold, inert, void of thought!

5th August. I, who have passed my life in judging, condemning, killing by the spoken word, killing by the guillotine those who had killed by the knife, I, I, if I should do as all the assassins have done whom I have smitten, I--I--who would know it?

Questions:

1. What was found in the desk? ✓
2. In which words the history of the universe was contained? ✓
3. What leads the readers to believe that this extract carries supernatural elements? ✓
4. How is killing instinctual? ✓
5. Explain the underlined expressions or words from the passage. ✓
6. How is killing justified as a crime in civilized world? ✓
7. How did the writer describe human being?
8. What are the writer's views about war?
9. What were the expertise of the old men?
10. Reproduce the burial scene in your own words.

Question 3: Letter Writing (15)

Write a letter to the District Police Officer inviting their attention towards the increasing rate of street crimes in your area.

Or

Write a letter to the Superintendent of District Jail volunteering yourself to teach the illiterate prisoners how to read and write.

→ She was confident that her mother was her classmate

alot → The remaining shares have been allotted between you and your sister.

Question 4: "competition breeds excellence." Discuss. (15)

Question 5: correct the following sentences: (10)

1. Her hairs are brown. ✓
2. One of the player is injured. ✓
4. Every man should do their duty. ✓
5. I am tired from this work. ✓
6. Be kind to the poor's. ✓
7. He is coward man. ✓
8. Saima was married with Ali ✓
9. She sings good. ✓
10. A darkest cloud has a silver lining. ✓

Question 6: Explain the difference between the following words pairs (Any five) by using each words in your own sentence: (10)

1. Compliment, Complement ✓
2. A lot, Allot ✓
3. Confident, Confidant ✓
4. Demure, Demur ✓
5. Medal, Meddle ✓
6. Personnel, Personal ✓
7. Weather, Whether ✓

Question 7: Use Only five of the following in sentence which illustrate their meaning : (10)

1. A snowball effect ✓
2. A storm in a teacup ✓
3. Come rain or shine ✓
4. No pain, no gain ✓
5. Feeling under the weather ✓
6. Fit as a fiddle ✓

① compliment: An expression of praise, commendation, respect or regard.

"To be toasted is a greater compliment than being loved." - George MacDonald.

1 - complement Just her dress perfectly
2 - excel complements the shad of her eyes.

④ Every man should do his duty.
⑤ I am tired of this work.
⑥ He is a cowardly man.

⑩ Every dark cloud has a silver lining.
⑧ she sings well.
⑨ Be kind to the poor.
⑦ Saima was married to Ali.