

Question no 3

Comprehension

Question 1

The fundamental error that author identifies in popular understanding of tradition and progress is that, these two terms are considered direct opposites of each other.

Tradition is seen as dead history that hinders the future innovations while progress is seen as fast evolving energy of future that breaks free from old traditions. However, this error is considered dangerous because it has become reason for impoverished civilizations.

Question 2

The author uses several historical examples to challenge the notion the progress requires abandoned past. For instance, author mentions renaissance period in human history, especially the scholars of Europe - a Renaissance that looked backward to their old history even entering into modern period. Moreover, the author mentions great religious reformers who have submerged their revolutionary concepts in previous texts. Additionally, author mentions the scientific revolutions that do not abandon ^{their} earlier scholars. Lastly, the author mentions example of a tree that cannot grow without

its roots.

Question 3

The author called traditions as a "living conversation across generations" because traditions encourage dialogue and communication between past and present. It allows questioning several phenomena in between and it does not allow its generations to wander freely and accept any ideological thought without its concrete basis. Hence, the author called tradition not a static repository of dead customs but a living conversation across generations.

Question 4

The paradox that exists in modern search for meaning is that, the modern era craves for purpose in every aspect of life by abandoning its past/history. Many traditions in past can be distinguished between one's that has meaning and purpose while others - that were just injustice practices that need to be abandoned. Similarly, the contemporary era represents some innovations that contain wisdom while others are merely fashion. The real task is to distinguish between these practices and traditions and carry them in

contemporary world rather than completely abandoning the traditions.

Question 5

It is true that one needs real judgement and intelligence to make distinction between valuable traditions and harmful practices. For instance, in ancient India practice of Sathi was performed to burn a woman alive with her dead husband. This practice really need abolition while the Indian tradition of meditation and yoga is historically defined as spiritual and cultural practice to promote mental and physical health. This tradition needs to carry out in homes and contemporary world which is suffering from mental illnesses.

Question no 4

Correct the following Sentences

- i, The committee which was appointed to investigate the matter, they submitted their report last week
- ii, He has been living in this city for

ten years and knows every corner of it.

iii, Hardly I had reached the station; the train departed from the platform.

iv, Each of the students is required to submit their assignments before the deadline.

v, He not only distributed sweets among the children but also the elderly persons.

vi The number of unemployed graduates is increasing every year in the country.

vii The committee has been deliberating on the proposal since morning but has not yet arrived at any consensus.

Question no 5

Punctuate the following passage.

The minister, addressing the gathering said, "My fellow citizens we stand today at a critical juncture in our nation's history; we must ask ourselves are we prepared to face the challenges ahead? or shall we succumb to despondency and inaction? Dr Ahmed, the renowned economist had warned us last year that unless

immediate reforms are undertaken the economy will collapse. However, his advice was not heeded. Now, we find ourselves in precisely the predicament; he had predicted; therefore, I urge you all to support the government's new economic policy, which though painful in the short term, will yield beneficial results in the long run. Let's not continue to repeat the mistakes of past; let's move forward with determination and courage".

Question B

fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions

- i The judge acquitted him with the charge of theft
- ii He must abide by the rules of the institutions
- iii He is deficient of the common sense despite his education
- iv The principal presided over the function yesterday
- v The new policy is prejudicial to the interests of small farmers and landless

labour

- vi His conduct is not commensurate to his position and responsibilities in the organization
- vii The minister expressed his disapproval of the manner in which the enquiry was conducted
- viii The judge dispensed from the formalities and proceeded directly to the main issue

Question no 2

Precis

Title:

Modern era and
uninformed minds

The modern era of requiring perfection in every field, has created conflict with intellectual life. The more information is becoming specific, the more people lack ability to deal with life issues. People are running towards experts for common advices on life forgetting that the experts only know particular information about their fields, that can build a narrow vision of

of particular issue ignoring the bigger picture of life. People in contemporary world have become habitual of breaking down problems and information related to them in smaller chunks. This had made human unable to resolve issues that doesnot fit into smaller categories. The earlier intellectuals used to visualize the smaller parts of world in connection to greater images. In contrast, the modern thinkers world appears like a distorted complex puzzle, whose each part shows distinct story. The main issue lies in people handing over their basic judgement and decision making into hands of technocrats that make people dependent on information and data rather than making them responsible citizens. Therefore, the world needs people who can join fragmented data into complete wisdom. People need to renewe their belief on common judgement which was shaped by traditional knowledges in order to make reasonable judgements.

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Question no 7

Translation

Literature is significant part of a society that guides its spiritual and moral conditions. Whenever, a nation's literature begins to demolish, then it is evident that the nation is going to face its end. It is said that today's ~~ethics~~ ^{literature} have become commercial and it has been undertaken by mafias, that sell their words for money. They actually sell their own selves. The actual writer is one who raises the voice for just and uses his pen against unjust, no matter how much sacrifices he does for it. However in today's era such brave writers are not born. Mostly writers are seen bowing to greater positions and are busy in satisfying the powerful institutions. This is unjust with literature and betrayal with nation.