

**FIVE YEAR INTEGRATED B.A./B.Com./B.B.A., LL.B. (HONOURS) DEGREE  
EXAMINATION, JUNE 2022**

**First Semester**

**FE I—GENERAL ENGLISH—I**

(2021 Admissions—Regular)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

**Part A**

I. (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct tense of the verb given in brackets :

- 1 The train \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) before I \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) the station.
- 2 While he \_\_\_\_\_ (sing), she \_\_\_\_\_ (dance).
- 3 If you \_\_\_\_\_ (not plan), you \_\_\_\_\_ (fail).
- 4 Although he \_\_\_\_\_ (be) ill, he \_\_\_\_\_ (attend) the meeting yesterday.
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ (like) watching TV whereas my sister \_\_\_\_\_ (like) reading books.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(b) Use any *five* of the following in sentences of your own :

- 1 Bring up.
- 2 Call on.
- 3 Look after.
- 4 To bite the bullet.
- 5 To dance to one's tune.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(c) Correct the following sentences :

- 1 When will you return back from Delhi ?
- 2 She prefers coffee than tea.

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- 3 Can you be able to hear me ?
- 4 Mumbai is one of the biggest city in the world.
- 5 Everyone listened him.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

d) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

- 1 The Taj Mahal is \_\_\_\_\_ the Yamuna \_\_\_\_\_ Agra.
- 2 He was waiting \_\_\_\_\_ a long time \_\_\_\_\_ the tree.
- 3 She has gone \_\_\_\_\_ school \_\_\_\_\_ train.
- 4 The bus moves \_\_\_\_\_ the traffic \_\_\_\_\_ a slow speed.
- 5 I have been living \_\_\_\_\_ this house \_\_\_\_\_ the past 20 years.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

e) Rewrite as directed :

- 1 India was ruled by the British for more than 200 years. (Change the voice)
- 2 The teacher asked the students to come early the next day. (into direct speech)
- 3 You know German. (Add a question tag)
- 4 I did not hate the idea. (into affirmative)
- 5 The box was very heavy. He could not carry it. (Combine the sentences using “too, to”)

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

### Part B

II. Write a précis of the following passage :

There is an enemy beneath our feet - an enemy more deadly for his complete impartiality. He recognizes no national boundaries, no political parties. Everyone in the world is threatened by him. The enemy is the earth itself. When an earthquake strikes, the world trembles. The power of a quake is greater than anything man himself can produce. But today scientists are directing a great deal of their effort into finding some way of combating earthquakes, and it is possible that at some time in the near future mankind will have discovered a means of protecting itself from earthquakes. An earthquake strikes without warning. When it does, its power is immense. If it strikes a modern city, the damage it causes is as great as if it has struck a primitive village. Gas mains burst, explosions are caused and fires are started. Underground railways are wrecked.

Buildings collapse, bridges fall, dams burst, gaping crevices appear in busy streets. If the quake strikes at sea, huge tidal waves sweep inland. If it strikes in mountain regions, avalanches roar down into the valley. Consider the terrifying statistics from the past 1755 : Lisbon, capital of Portugal-the city destroyed entirely and 450 killed. 1970 : Peru: 50,000 killed. In 1968 an earthquake struck Alaska. As this is a relatively unpopulated part, only a few people were killed. But it is likely that this was one of the most powerful quakes ever to have hit the world. Geologists estimate that during the tremors, the whole of the state moved over 80 feet farther west into the Pacific Ocean. Imagine the power of something that can move an entire subcontinent ! This is the problem that the scientists face. They are dealing with forces so immense that man cannot hope to resist them. All that can be done is to try to pinpoint just where the earthquake will strike and work from there. At least some precautionary measures can then be taken to save lives and some of the property.

(1 × 5 = 5 marks)

III. Write an essay on *one* of the following :

- 1 A stitch in time saves nine.
- 2 Interlinking of South Indian Rivers.
- 3 "Justice Delayed, Justice Denied".

(1 × 15 = 15 marks)

IV. Write a letter to your friend describing your new college campus.

(1 × 5 = 5 marks)

### Part C

V. Read the passage given below and then answer the questions that follow :

The King, Krishnadevaraya's mother was a very pious and orthodox lady. She had visited all holy places and given much of her treasures in charity to temples. Once she showed the desire of giving away fruits in charity and her son, the king, obliged. Krishnadevaraya immediately got many mangoes from Ratnagiri. He respected his mother a lot and never let her down. Unfortunately, before the auspicious day could arrive, his mother died.

Krishnadevaraya followed all religious rites. They went on for many days. On the last day, the King called some Brahmins and said, 'my mother's last wish was to offer mangoes to Brahmins. But she could not fulfil this wish and died. What can I do so that my mother's last wish could be fulfilled and she can rest in peace ?'

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The Brahmins were greedy. They said that only if the King would give each Brahmin a gold mango, would his mother be able to rest in peace. Krishnadevaraya on hearing this immediately ordered some gold mangoes to be made and presented them to the Brahmins, thinking now his mother would be happy and peaceful.

Tenali Raman heard about this and he called those Brahmins to his home to perform the last rite ceremonies of his own mother. When the Brahmins came to Tenali's house Tenali closed all the doors and windows and stood in front of them with a red hot iron rod. The Brahmins were taken aback but Tenali removed their confusion. 'My mother had knee pains and as a remedy she wanted me to cure her with these hot iron rods. But she died before I could help her. So now I want to fulfil her wish by giving you all this treatment', Tenali said to the Brahmins. The Brahmins were shocked and said that it is injustice on them and that they will not be a part of it. But Tenali said that since they had taken the golden mangoes from the king because that way it could provide peace to his dead mother, this was the way Tenali's mother could find peace.

The greedy Brahmins understood that they have not done right and they returned the mangoes to the King. Later Tenali Raman told king Krishnadevaraya that the treasure of the palace should not be exploited by giving them to such greedy people. Instead, it should be put to feed and serve the needy.

i) Give the meaning of each of these words as used in the passage :

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| 1 Charity.    | 2 Rites.     |
| 3 Needy.      | 4 Injustice. |
| 5 Auspicious. |              |

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

ii) Answer the following questions in your own words :

- 1 What was the last wish of Krishnadevaraya's mother ?
- 2 Why did Krishnadevaraya consult the Brahmins ?
- 3 What did the Brahmins suggest the king ?
- 4 How did Tenali teach a lesson to the Brahmins ?
- 5 What advice did Tenali give to the king ?

(5 × 2 = 10 marks)

VI. Explain the meaning and significance of any *five* of the following legal terms :

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| 1 Absconding. | 2 Damage.    |
| 3 Landlord.   | 4 Oath.      |
| 5 Obligation. | 6 Take over. |
| 7 Waiver.     | 8 Bail.      |

(5 × 2 = 10 marks)