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| Reading Time | : 15 minutes (prior to writing time) |

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Write your Registration Number clearly and correctly on the Answer Booklet.
2. The first 15 minutes is to check the number of pages of Question Paper, printing errors, clarify doubts and to read the instructions. You are NOT permitted to write during this time.
3. This paper is divided into five sections
 - ❖ Section I – Essay Writing
 - ❖ Section II – Letter Writing
 - ❖ Section III – Comprehension
 - ❖ Section IV – Translation
 - ❖ Section V – Current Affairs
4. Specific instructions are provided under each Section separately. Please read the instructions carefully and answer the questions.
5. All answers should be written on the Answer Booklet provided to you. Candidates are not allowed to write anything on the question paper. If required, ask for additional Answer Booklet.
6. **All answers should be written with correct numbering of the Part, Section and Question Number in the Answer Booklet provided to you. Note that any answer written without indicating the correct Part, Section and Question Number will NOT be evaluated and no marks will be awarded.**
7. Begin each Section on a fresh page of the Answer Booklet.
8. You are not permitted to tear off any sheet(s) of the Answer Booklet as well as the Question Paper.
9. Use of any other paper including paper for rough work is not permitted.
10. **You must hand over the Answer Booklet to the Invigilator before leaving the examination hall.**
11. This paper has **7 printed pages**, including this instruction page.

GOOD LUCK!

**SECTION I
ESSAY WRITING [25 MARKS]**

Write an essay of about 300-350 words on any ONE of the following topics (Question 1-2)
(Marks will be awarded for orderly and coherent presentation of materials, content, analytical ability, and use of appropriate features and general accuracy of spellings, punctuation and grammar.)

Write the SECTION and QUESTION NUMBER clearly while writing the answer. Note that any answer written without indicating the correct Part, Section and Question Number will NOT be evaluated and no marks will be awarded.

Question 1

On the July 14, 2024, Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay issued an executive order directing that all government meetings and official correspondences be conducted in Dzongkha. The order also requires translation services or translated documents for foreigners attending meetings. Will the executive order effectively promote Dzongkha as the national language, or are there better alternatives to achieve this goal? Argue your position with supporting evidence.

Question 2

Based on Yuval Noah Harari's statement at the RIGSS Dialogue on the April 4, 2023 about leaders recognizing their limitations and delegating responsibilities, what key leadership skills are essential for future civil servants of Bhutan to follow his view? Argue this position with supporting evidence.

SECTION II: LETTER WRITING [20 MARKS]

Write a letter of an about 150 words on any ONE of the following situations [Question 1-2]

Question 1

As Karma, a student at Sherubtse College in Trashigang, write a letter to the Chairperson of the Royal Civil Service Commission anticipating potential difficulties you might face traveling to the examination centers in Thimphu. Describe the issues you expect, and suggest practical solutions, such as online exams or additional district centers, to address these challenges.

Question 2

As a Dzongkha teacher at Motithang Higher Secondary School in Thimphu, write a letter to the Director of the CSCD (Center for School Curriculum Development) proposing the inclusion of short stories collected from class 9 and 11 students in the curriculum. Request that outstanding stories be incorporated into the syllabus or that students be given a platform to publish their work.

SECTION III
COMPREHENSION [20 MARKS]

Read the passage below and then answer the questions that follow.

(Marks will be awarded for your ability to understand, analyze and express thoughts clearly). Write the Section, and Question Numbers clearly to get your answer evaluated.

What is Meditation?

By Jiddu Krishnamurti and Chögyam Trungpa Rinpoche

In this conversation, J. Krishnamurti and Chögyam Trungpa Rinpoche delve into the nature of meditation, challenging traditional views and practices. Here are the key points from the discussion:

Critique of Personal Experience in Religion: Krishnamurti argues that personal experience in organized religions is often unreliable because it can be a projection of one's own intentions, fears, and hopes. He suggests that such experiences, which are centered on the individual, lack validity in understanding truth.

Questioning the Role of Meditation: Krishnamurti questions whether meditation, as commonly practiced, can truly lead to understanding or truth. He criticizes practices that conform to established patterns, arguing that they often reinforce the ego and do not necessarily bring one closer to truth.

Meditation as Observation: He proposes that true meditation involves observing without the filter of personal biases or the ego ("the me"). This form of meditation should be about seeing things as they are, without division or preconceived notions.

Traditional Approaches vs. True Meditation: Krishnamurti dismisses traditional forms of meditation—whether they involve repeating mantras or following specific rituals—as potentially reinforcing the ego rather than dissolving it. He emphasizes the need for observation without the ego, suggesting that traditional practices often perpetuate disorder rather than bring about real understanding.

Role of the Mind and Order: He explores the idea that for meditation to be meaningful, the mind must be free from the constraints of time and memory. True meditation is about seeing beyond these constraints, which can only happen when the mind is completely still.

Discussion with Trungpa Rinpoche: Trungpa Rinpoche adds that meditation should not become an additional problem to solve but rather be integrated into the understanding of life's challenges. He agrees with Krishnamurti's view that meditation should not be about achieving personal experiences or escaping problems but about understanding and observing life more deeply.

Question A

[5X1=5 marks]

Instruction: Answer the following questions by writing the correct option against each Question Number in your answer booklet. For example, 6 (d).

1. What does Krishnamurti argue about personal experience in organized religions?
 - A It often lacks validity as it can be a projection of personal intentions, fears, and hopes.
 - B It is always valid for understanding truth.
 - C It provides a comprehensive view of truth.
 - D It is irrelevant to understanding truth.

2. What does Krishnamurti question about meditation?
 - A Whether meditation, as commonly practiced, can truly lead to understanding or truth.
 - B Whether meditation can lead to material success.
 - C Whether meditation can improve physical health.
 - D Whether meditation is a religious practice.

3. According to Krishnamurti, what should true meditation involve?
 - A Observing without the filter of personal biases or the ego.
 - B Observing with personal biases.
 - C Following traditional rituals.
 - D Repeating mantras.

4. How does Krishnamurti view traditional forms of meditation?
 - A As potentially reinforcing the ego rather than dissolving it.
 - B As essential for achieving understanding.
 - C As effective in dissolving the ego.
 - D As irrelevant to meditation.

5. What does Trungpa Rinpoche add to the discussion about meditation?
 - A Meditation should be integrated into the understanding of life's challenges.
 - B Meditation should be about achieving personal experiences.
 - C Meditation should focus on ritualistic practices.
 - D Meditation should be used to escape problems.

Question B

[5 marks]

Define mindfulness according to J. Krishnamurti and Chögyam Trungpa Rinpoche. What do they see as the core aspects of mindfulness?

Question C

[5 marks]

How can the wisdom shared by J. Krishnamurti and Chögyam Trungpa Rinpoche be applied in creating a mindfulness initiative for Gelephu Mindfulness City in Bhutan?

Question D

[5 marks]

What is the primary criticism that J. Krishnamurti has about traditional meditation practices, and how does it relate to his view of mindfulness?

SECTION IV
TRANSLATION [25 MARKS]

Read the following passage carefully and translate to English.

(Marks will be awarded for clarity in expression, accuracy and completeness in translation and correctness of spelling, grammar and punctuation).

འཆར་གཞི་༡༩ པའི་ནང་ ཨ་ལོ་གཅེས་སྐྱོད་དང་གོང་འཕེལ་ལྗེ་བ་ཚུ་ ཡར་འཇུག་གཏང་ནི།

༣ འཆར་གཞི་༡༩ པའི་ནང་ ཤེས་རིག་དང་རིག་རྒྱལ་གོང་འཕེལ་ལྗེ་བ་ལྟ་བུ་གིས་ ཨ་ལོ་གཅེས་སྐྱོད་དང་གོང་འཕེལ་ལྗེ་བའི་དོན་ལུ་ འཆར་དངུལ་
 དངུལ་གྲམ་ས་ཡ་༡༠༠བགོ་བཟུམ་འབད་མི་གིས་ ལྗེ་བ་གསར་པ་ གཞི་བཙུགས་འབད་ནི་དང་ དེ་ཡོད་པའི་ལྗེ་བ་ཚུ་ ཉམས་བཅོས་འབད་ནི་
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 མཐུན་ཀྱི་མཐོ་སྐྱོད་འབད་ནི་ལུ་ གཙུག་རིམ་བཟུང་འོང་བཟུང་ཨིན་པས། འཆར་གཞི་ནང་ བཀོད་མི་འོང་ནང་ ལྗེ་བ་གསར་པ་༡༠༠ དང་ ད་ལྟོ་ཡོད་
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 ལས་རིམ་འོག་ལུ་ ལྗེ་བ་གསར་པ་སློབ་དཔོན་དང་སློབ་ཕྱག་གི་ཅ་ཆ་ད་ སློབ་དཔོན་རེ་ལུ་ སློབ་ཕྱག་༡༥ ལས་༢ ལུ་ མར་ཐབས་འབད་ནི་ལུ་ ལས་
 རིམ་ཡོད་པ་ཨིན་པས།
 ལྗེ་བའི་སློབ་སློབ་པའི་ ཤེས་ཚད་ཡར་འཇུག་གཏང་ནི་དོན་ལུ་ སྤྱི་ཚད་མཐོ་མི་སློབ་གྲྭ་ནང་ ལྗེ་བའི་ཤེས་ལོ་མའི་ལས་རིམ་གཞི་བཙུགས་འབད་ནི་
 ཨིན་པ་ད་ དེ་ལས་ ལྗེ་བའི་སློབ་སློབ་པ་མང་ཤོས་ར་ སློབ་རིམ་༡༢ པ་ ཚང་མི་ཚུ་ཨིན་མ་བཞིན་ཏུ་ སྤྱོད་བརྟེན་ཡང་ བདུན་ཕྱག་༢ ལས་བཟུམ་
 མེད་པ་ལས་ ཁོང་ཆ་ལུ་ དགོས་མཁོ་ཅན་གྱི་ རིག་རྒྱལ་དང་ ལྷན་རིག་ལྗེ་བ་ཐབས་ཞབས་ཏོག་ཚུ་མེད་པ་ཨིན་པས།
 དེ་ལས་ རྒྱལ་ཁབ་ནང་ ལྗེ་བ་༥༢༡ ཡོད་མི་ལས་ གཞུང་གི་ལྗེ་བ་༤༢༥ དང་སྤྱི་ལོ་ལྗེ་བ་༤༢ ཡོད་པ་དང་ དེ་ལས་ ལྗེ་བའི་ལས་རིམ་༢༠ དང་
 གཞུང་མིན་ལས་ཚོགས་ཀྱིས་ ལྗེ་བ་༤ ལག་ལེན་འབྲེན་ཏེ་ ཡོད་པའི་གནས་ཚུལ།

SECTION V
CURRENT AFFAIRS [10 MARKS]

Answer ALL 10 questions by writing the correct option against each question number in your answer booklet. For example, 11 (d). Each question carries ONE mark.

1. Which Shenchen Rabjam Rinpoche bestowed the Rinchen Terzod empowerment in Paro, Bhutan, from May 29 to September 10, 2024?
A 7th Shenchen Rabjam Rinpoche
B 8th Shenchen Rabjam Rinpoche
C 9th Shenchen Rabjam Rinpoche
D 10th Shenchen Rabjam Rinpoche
2. In which year did Her Majesty the Queen Mother Azhi Dorji Wangmo Wangchuck co-found Bhutan's first literature festival, 'Bhutan Echoes,' as a Bhutan-India initiative?
A 2010
B 2011
C 2012
D 2013
3. When did His Majesty The Fifth Druk Gyalpo announced the Gelephu Mindfulness City project?
A 113th National Day
B 114th National Day
C 115th National Day
D 116th National Day
4. Who is the actor, filmmaker, and climate advocate known for "The Messenger-Ride for Action"?
A Jamyang Jamtsho Wangchuk
B Pawo Choyning Dorji
C Sonam Wangchuk
D Gyem Tshering
5. Who is the author of the book "Treasures of the Thunder Dragon: A Portrait of Bhutan"?
A Ashi Dorji Wangmo Wangchuck
B Dr. Karma Phuntsho
C Dasho Karma Ura
D Michael Aris
6. Which country won the UEFA Euro 2024?
A Netherlands
B England
C France
D Spain

7. After postponing his visit due to bad weather, when did the Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrive in Paro, Bhutan, for a 24-hour state visit?
 - A Wednesday, March 22, 2024
 - B Thursday, March 21, 2024
 - C Tuesday, April 21, 2024
 - D Friday, April 21, 2024

8. Who appoints the Chairperson and commissioners of the Royal Civil Service Commission?
 - A The Chairperson of the National Council
 - B The Chief Justice of Bhutan
 - C The Prime Minister
 - D The Druk Gyalpo

9. Where was the Fourth International Vajrayana Buddhism Conference held?
 - A Kathmandu, Nepal
 - B New Delhi, India
 - C Thimphu, Bhutan
 - D Lhasa, Tibet

10. Who declared Dzongkha as the national language of Bhutan?
 - A The Second Druk Gyalpo
 - B The Fourth Druk Gyalpo
 - C The Third Druk Gyalpo
 - D The First Druk Gyalpo

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