# **INTER (TOSS) ENGLISH**

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 100 Marks

#### **Instructions:**

- 1. This paper has been divided into four sections I to IV.
- 2. Section I carries 40 marks and contains questions from Prose and Poetry.
- 3. Section—II carries 20 marks and contains questions about creative writing.
- 4. Section—III carries 30 marks and contains questions on Grammar.
- 5. Section—IV carries 10 marks and contains questions on Communication Skills.

#### SECTION — I

# I (A) Read the following passage and answer the following questions:

Occasionally, my father came to take me home and I would always ask him to treat me to a special fruit cocktail at a juice center near the club. While this regular demand was a little unreasonable because at that time I did not realize that my parents also had to take care of the needs of my brothers and sister. My father would invariably end up giving me what I wanted, just to see me happy. On other days, when I made my way home from Shivaji Park on my own, I'd often fall asleep on the bus - if I managed to sit down.

Anyone who has been on a Mumbai bus at peak hours will know just how difficult it is to get a seat. On days when I wasn't so lucky, it was still a challenge just to stand with the kitbag, because the bus conductors would inevitably complain about me taking up another passenger. It could be embarrassing because the conductors were often rude and sometimes asked me to buy two tickets. I didn't have the money for a second ticket and I had to learn to take these remarks in my stride. Dirty clothes often added to the embarrassment. With time, I evolved a way of wrapping the kitbag around me. Just as the helmet and pads became a part of me while batting, so the kitbag became an extension of me on the bus. I'd often take the bus or train from Bandra to Church gate, and it was all a great learning experience

Now answer the questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write A, B, C, or D in the answer booklet (4x1 = 4 Marks)

1.	Sachin's father us	sed to treat him w	vith	
	a) Chocolates	b) Juice	c) Cocktail juice	d) Vadapav
2.	Conductors woul	d ask Sachin to b	ouy for the	space occupied in the bus
	a) ticket	b) kitbag	c) two tickets	d) clothes
3.	Sachin always as	ked his father to		
	a) take him	o Mumbai		
	b) take him	to Shivaji Park		
	c) treat him	to a special fruit j	juice at the juice center	near the club
	d) buy him r	iew dresses		
4.	It was challengin	g for Sachin to		
	a) buy two t	ickets		
	b) stand with	n a kitbag in the b	ous.	
	c) travel to	Mumbai		
	d) wear a he	lmet.		

# Answer the following in 2 or 3 sentences:

#### 2x2=4 Marks

- 5. Why did Sachin feel that his demand was unreasonable?
- 6. What did the conductor complain about?

# B. Read the following lines of the poem and answer questions following that:

Is there aught you need that my hands withhold,

Rich gifts of raiment or grain or gold?

Lo! I have flung to the East and West

Priceless treasures torn from my breast,

And yielded the sons of my stricken womb

To the drum-beats of duty, the sabres of doom.

Gathered like pearls in their alien graves

Silent they sleep by the Persian waves,

Scattered like shells on Egyptian sands,

They lie with pale brows and brave, broken hands,

They are strewn like blossoms mown down by chance

On the blood-brown meadows of Flanders and France.

# Now answer the questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write A, B, C, or D in the answer booklet (4x1 = 4 Marks)

1	TT 71 /	1	(D)		0
	- NA/hat	' dage	`Kaim	ont'	mean?
1.	winai	uocs	IXAIIII	UIIL	IIICaii!

- a) Clothing
- b) Apparel
- c) Food
- d) attire

- 2. The poem evokes a sense of......
  - a) pride
- b) grief
- c) loss
- d) all the above
- 3. The simile used for soldiers in the poem is......
  - a) pearls
- b) aliens
- c) gifts
- d) tears
- 4. Mother India gave one of the following gifts to the world.
  - a) Her sons

- c) precious things like gold
- b) Clothes and food grains
- d) Material heritage like statues, etc

### Answer the following in 2 or 3 sentences:

2x2=4 Marks

- 5. What does Mother India mean by "To the drum-beats of duty" in the poem?
- 6. How did Mother India feel when she found her sons dead?

# II. Annotate any TWO of the following text given below:

2x3=6 Marks

- a. I must say it was an opportunity that transformed my life
- b. "But the big ones come once in 15 years".
- c. In almost every house we've been,

We've watched them gaping at the screen.

They loll and slop and lounge about

And stare until their eyes pop out.

d. I love you, Mother, I have woven a wreath

## III. Answer any TWO of the following questions:

2x4=8 Marks

- 1. One of Steve Jobs's motto was: 'Think differently'. Can this make a person succeed in life? What challenges are there in thinking differently?
- 2. How did the poet come to know about the broken statue of Ozymandias
- 3. Write about Kalpana's work at NASA.
- 4. How does the poet describe the broken statue?

### IV. Read the following passage and answer the following questions:

5x1=5 Marks

#### The Last Lecture: Best Lessons

It was 18 September 2007, Carnegie Mallon University (US)auditorium was echoing with laughter as Forty-six-year-old Randy Pausch was delivering an upbeat and humorous lecture. And, then, he knew he would die in a few months! Terminal pancreatic cancer was the villain. He, yet, stressed the need to live fully and have fun in everything. He suddenly dropped and did push-ups to prove his point. Living right is more important than achieving dreams, asserted he. He listed his achieved dreams, quite many, though. He thanked everyone who taught him a lesson or two. And he passed on those valuable lessons to posterity. He wants one to be frugal, not miserly. He advises elders to give children permission and inspiration to dream. He appeals to teachers to enable learners to achieve their dreams. The most significant lesson, however, is the way he took the bull (of cancer or death) by the horns. The Last Lectures extended version is the best-selling book with the same title, worth reading again and again!

- 1. Who gave 'The Last Lecture'? Where was 'The Last Lecture' delivered?
- 2. What did he appeal to teachers?
- 3. What does the speaker emphasise despite being in the face of death?
- 4. Pick the word from the passage that means "Using only as much money as is necessary."
- 5. What does the phrase ".... took the bull by the horns" mean?

# V. Observe the following advertisement and answer the following questions given 5X1=5



- 1. What is the advertisement about?
- 2. When is National Voter's Day observed?
- 3. What is the theme of NVD (National Voter's Day)?
- 4. Who issued the advertisement?
- 5. Write the names of any two Apps that are mentioned in the advertisement.

# SECTION-II (Creative Writing) (20 Marks)

# VI. Answer any TWO of the following discourses in your answer booklet:

2x6=12 Marks

# A. Read the following passage carefully and summarize it briefly.

Renewable energy resources are being used all over the world. Brilliant minds have devoted their lives to finding resources that do not leak greenhouse gases into the ozone layer and which do not cost large amounts of money. Hydro energy, solar energy, wind energy, energy from biomass and biofuels are viable alternative sources of energy. They are clean sources of energy and have lower carbon emissions compared to conventional sources of energy such as fossil fuels. What's more, the energy generated is nearly 80% renewable. Harnessing the power of moving water to generate electricity, known as hydroelectric power, is the largest source of emission-free, renewable electricity worldwide and has been used over the ages. Solar power is another excellent energy resource. The sun gives us free rays, so why not use them as a power source? Solar power is trapped by special rows of panels that take in the energy of the sun and provide power for homes. In places that are windy, powerful wind turbines have been constructed to provide energy. The turbines are big towers with three prongs that are pushed around by the wind. This produces energy. The largest wind farm in the world is in Denmark.

Biogas is a popular source of energy in some countries. In Vietnam, cow and pig manure and waste is washed into a drain, where the gas is allowed to gather through pipes, then leak into a large bag,' which is situated above the stove. The methane (the gas produced by the cow and pig manure) is then stored and used as fuel. This procedure is environmentally friendly. Biomass fuels used today come in the form of wood products, dried vegetation, crop residues, and aquatic plants. Biomass has become one of the most commonly used renewable sources of energy in the last two decades.

- **B.** Imagine you are planning to travel to Delhi and Agra on a week's tour. You need to book a train ticket and tourism package. **Briefly describe the process of booking tickets and tourism package.**
- C. You joined in TOSS Intermediate course in an accredited Institution (Study center). You are waiting for the textbooks. Now, write a letter to the accredited Institution coordinator to get the textbooks.
- D. Your friend Athidi has recently joined the junior college in Delhi as her father got transferred there. You have recently received a letter from her telling you about her new college where she was not able to adjust herself.

Imagine you are Hasini and write a letter to Athidi advising her to make friends and settle down in the new place.

# VII. Answer any TWO of the following discourses in your answer booklet:

2x4=8 Marks

- A. You can do well in your exams if you are disciplined and methodical in the way you approach your studies. Follow your class lessons properly to cover your syllabus in a systematic manner. After coming home, revise whatever is taught in the class, as the topics will be still fresh in your mind. Try and solve the questions at the end of each pic and also the last five years' papers. If you are stuck, make sure you have it resolved by the next day at the most. Do not hesitate to take help from teachers and seniors, as needed. Jot down important notes and formulae that you come across during your studies. This will help before the exams as you can just grab the subject notebook and revise the portions you want. Revise the points as and when you get time. Chalk out a timetable for board exam preparation and allocate ample time for each subject. Choose the time that you think is best for study. It can be early in the morning or late at night. Do not allow distractions to mar your studies. Hone your strength but do not ignore your weaknesses. Do not study anything new or from a book right before exams, as you may get confused. Revise what you have done and glance at important notes and formulae. Make a weekly revision plan, be healthy and take ample rest. Make sure you are also spending some time playing and re-energizing yourself.
- B. Here is a bio-sketch of Karanam Malleswari. Prepare a profile of her.

Mrs. Karanam Malleswari was born on 01/06/1975. Her height is 158cm/5'2". She represented Andhra Pradesh. She was associated with Women's Weight Lifting. Her first entry was in National Junior Weight Lifting Championship. Her best career was in Asian Games 1998, Bangkok, Silver -63Kg. Her hobbies are watching films, and playing cricket. She won 11 Gold, 3 Silver, and Olympic Bronze apart from Padma Sri in 1999.

C. Read the following advertisement and prepare your RESUME for the job.



D.	Write an e-mail to your friend informing the amendment (change)of contact classes of your
	course. Mention the amended date, time and venue etc.

# **SECTION - III**

VIII.	_		owing passage	by filling in the	blanks using the correct form	=
	brack		ii-14 <i>V</i>		A 1. 1. 1 1. 4 41 1 11 1 1 T4 (2)	4X1=4 Marks
tha alz					Abdul hit the ball hard. It (i)	
					ran here and there (iii)	
					s from those given below it. Ea	
	-	-		_	Choose the correct answer from	
write			ie answer book			4x1=4 Marks
	One d	ay, when I	was going towa	rds my boat, I w	vas surprised (1) see (2)-	-the
footpr	int of	(3)	man <b>(4)</b>	- the sand. I stoo	od amazed! mistaken, for there w	as exactly the print
of a fo	ot - toe	es, heel, eve	ry part of a foot	. I could not ima	agine how it came there.	
	1.	A) to	B) at	C) on	D) in	
	2.	A) a	B) an	C) the	D) into	
	3.	A) an	B) a	C) that	D) the	
	4.	A) if	B) in	C) over	D) on	
X. Co	mbine	the followi	ng pair of sent	ences using the	connectives given against each	pair 4x1=4Marks
1.	The w	eather is go	ood. It is good f	or picnics. (and)		
2.	Mani	is intelligen	t. He is lazy. (b	ut)		
3.	You w	ant to stay	healthy.Exercis	e daily.(if)		
4.		-	•		anthropist. (not onlybut als	so)
			o ng sentences as	-		4x1=4 Marks
			C		give up? (Indirect speech)	
	-		_			
2					ne was 20. (passive voice)	
2.			_			
3					parative degree)	
٦.			_	` •	• ,	
1					uestion tag)	
						5x1-5 Maulya
AII. F	Kewrite	the lonow	ing sentences c	orrecting the u	nderlined parts :	5x1=5 Marks
1.	The m	nonkey had	saved <u>herself</u> f	rom the foolish	crocodile.	
2.	Sachin	n <u>play</u> crick	ket.			
3.	I prefe	er coffee tha	an_tea			

- 4. Mauritius is full of beautiful sceneries.
- 5. Why <u>vou are</u> sad?

# XIII. Rewrite the following sentences with suitable punctuation marks like (,) (.) (?) (!) (" ") etc... 4x1=4 Marks

- 1. shoot him right now he ordered the cameraman
- 2. what the hell...your class records will show I've got a right to come here
- 3. they said forget about hopping you are anyway good at it
- 4. i ran inside it as if I was being chased

# XIV. Identify Parts of speech of the underlined word in the sentence and write in your answer booklet. 5x1=5 Marks

- 1. <u>As I came closer to the footprint</u>, I realized that it could not be my footprint.
- 2. There is an **imaginary** story of a rabbit.
- 3. In my **opinion** the candidate's request is reasonable.
- 4. And yielded the sons of my **stricken** womb
- 5. The life of Kalpana Chawla **demonstrates** her commitment to space technology.

## **SECTION-IV**

# XV. Write suitable responses to the following questions:

5x1=5 Marks

1.	Passenger: (at Secunderabad Railway Station): Excuse me. I Would like to have some information.
	Clerk:
2.	Passenger: What Trains are there for Delhi?
	Clerk:
	Passenger: Yes.
	Clerk: Well you can take the Telangana Express then.
3.	Passenger : Whatfrom Secunderabad?
	Clerk: The train starts at 5:45 am in the morning.
	Passenger: Ok, Are the tickets available for that train?
4.	Clerk: —

Passenger: From which platform does it start?

5. Clerk: —----

# XVI. Read the following advertisement and complete your Resume / CV to apply for the given Post. 5 Marks

# WANTED

**Entry-Level Ticket vendors and Supervisors** 

**Qualification: Bachelor's Degree** 

Preference: Computer Knowledge and Fluency in English.

Mention your Experience and Salary Expected.

HYDERABAD METRO RAIL

**HYDERABAD- 500010** 

www.metrorail.hyd.in

FOR	RMAT
Name	:
Father's Name	:
Date of Birth and Age	:
Address	:
<b>Academic Qualifications</b>	:
Skills	:
<b>Hobbies / Interests</b>	:
Experience	:
Salary Expected	:
Reference	:
Signature	