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INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES :

Note: All QUESTIONS are COMPULSORY.

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions given at the end. (10)

Human history reveals a vital fact that people have always been fighting among themselves, over some issue or the other. The modern age is characterized by the sophisticated warfare for economic and technological supremacy being equated with political power, to wrest control of the world. Over the past few centuries, a few nations that have already grown stronger technologically, have almost gained control of the newly emerged world order. In Dr A.P.J Abdul Kalam's opinion, India can also be a leader in the field of technology. He wanted to prove this with the story of his own achievements, the vicissitudes that marked his life. Though these constraints were not of any interest to the general public, he was convinced that these are very much relevant, as they tell the story of modern India; the social matrix in which an unclear individual destiny is moulded and which cannot be viewed in isolation. Kalam's story is that of a scientist tested by failures and setbacks and of a leader supported by a large team of dedicated professionals. Under the stewardship of Dr Kalam, also known as the "Father of the Indian Missile Technology" or "The Missile Man of India", the country's missile development program has taken huge strides that have culminated in the successful launching of missiles. India successfully test fired its first tactical surface to surface missile, Prithvi, on 5th February, 1988. In addition, four more missiles viz. Trishul, Naag, Agni and Akash have also been test fired. Kalam became the second scientist, after Sir C.V.Raman, to provide leadership through the development of science and technology, in India. He took India's defence capability to new heights. Moreover as President, he became the supreme commander of India's armed forces, including the Air-force. Kalam rose to the pinnacle of his career when he became the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Prime Minister, with the status of Cabinet Minister. He achieved this through sheer hard work, merit and perseverance, without the use of political strings or favours.

- a) What does the modern age warfare among nations include?
b) What is Dr Kalam known for in the whole country?

- c) According to Dr Kalam, how are some nations trying to gain control of the new world order?
- d) The meaning of perseverance is :
- Being highly motivated
 - To keep trying in difficult situations
 - Being bold and strong
 - To be optimistic
- e) The meaning of stewardship is :
- Attending to customers in a hotel
 - A highly acclaimed scientist
 - The president of a country
 - Being responsible for something
2. a) Use the following words in meaningful sentences : (1×5=5)
- Collide
 - Vogue
 - Robust
 - Extinction
 - Strategic
- b) Give the antonyms for the following words : (1×5=5)
- Uphill
 - Production
 - Hostile
 - Destruction
 - Bright
3. Intolerance and aggressiveness seem to be increasing among the youth of present time. The youngsters need to learn from their tradition and culture. Do you agree with this or not? Give your reasons and add examples from your experience. (250-300 words) (10)
4. You are the manager of a reputed company. The sales of your company are sharply declining. Write a letter to the manager of another company with whom you want to collaborate for increasing the sales of your company. Explain to the manager of the other company about your expectations in future. (15)
5. You are the Higher Education Secretary of Punjab. You have done a survey in different Institutes of Higher Education of Punjab. Write a report on your research on the topic “Changes which need to be done in the Higher Education System”, to be submitted to the Education Minister of Punjab. (15)