

**2013 NOV.**  
**ENGLISH**  
**(Communication Skills)**

**Time Allowed : Three Hours**

**Max. Marks : 40**

**Note :-** Attempt all the parts of a question at one place and only once. Subsequent attempts, if the earlier attempts have not been crossed out, will not be evaluated.

I. (a) Discuss the theme of the story "The Selfish Giant".

**OR**

What did the experiments and discoveries of Sir J.C. Bose prove ?

(b) Answer any **four** of the following questions in about 30 words each :

(i) Describe the judgment seat of Vikramaditya.

(ii) What was the first trouble that the narrator had with the road-engine ?

(iii) How did the conjuror wind up the show ?

(iv) What was the punishment given to the 'Professor' by the corporal ?

(v) How did J.C. Bose transplant a full-grown tree ?

(vi) Give a short account of the floor of the sea.

(vii) What was the human help required to bring Ramanujan to Cambridge ?

(viii) How did Netaji disguise himself while escaping from India ?

(c) Read the passage given below and answer the questions given at the end :

He saw a most wonderful sight. Through a little hole in the wall the children had crept in, and they were sitting in the branches of the trees. In every tree that he could see there was a little child. And the trees were so glad to have the children back again that they had covered themselves with blossoms, and were waving their arms gently above the children's heads. The birds were flying about and twittering with delight, and the flowers were looking up through the green grass and laughing. It was a lovely scene, only in one corner it was still Winter. It was the farthest corner of the garden, and in it was standing a little boy. He was so small that he could not reach up to the branches of the tree, and he was wandering all round it, crying bitterly, The poor tree was still quite covered with frost and snow, and the North Wind was blowing and roaring above it. 'Climb up! little boy,' said the Tree, and it bent its branches down as low as it could; but the little boy was too tiny.

**Questions :**

1. What wonderful sight did the giant see ?
2. How did the trees express their gladness ?
3. What did the giant see in one corner of the garden ?
4. Give meanings of the underlined words/phrases in your own words. 4+4+4=12

II. Write a letter to Superstar Computers, Chandigarh, ordering 25 computers of latest configuration for your company.

**OR**

Write a letter to Sony Electronics complaining about the defective working of the LCD purchased by you. 6

III. Draft an advertisement for the Situation Vacant column for an accountant for your company.

**OR**

Prepare a display advertisement for Dabur Hair Oil. 5

IV. Prepare your Resume for the post of a Chartered Accountant. 5

V. (a) Give meanings of any *four* of the idioms/phrases given below and use them in sentences of your own :

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Apple of discord, At a loss, To build castles in the air, To beat about the bush, At an arm's length, By leaps and bounds.

(b) Give synonyms and antonyms of any *four* of the following words :

Blessing, Clever, Dear, Enemy, Famous, Genuine.

(c) Expand any *four* of the following abbreviations/acronyms :  
p.m., WTO, GATT, SBI, HRA, BCCI. 4+4+4=12

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