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Name of the Paper: **English A-AECC (Admission of 2020)**

Name of the Course:

Semester: **1**

Marks: **75**

Time limit: 3 + 1 (One hour reserved for downloading of Question Paper, scanning and uploading of Answer Sheets)

Instructions

There are 6 questions, you have to answer **any 3**.

All questions carry equal marks of 25 each.

Each answer must be written in 500-800 words.

Speech by UN Women Goodwill Ambassador Emma Watson at a special event for the HeForShe campaign, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 20 September 2014

Today we are launching a campaign called ‘HeForShe.’

I am reaching out to you because I need your help. We want to end gender inequality—and to do that we need everyone to be involved. This is the first campaign of its kind at the UN: we want to try and galvanize as many men and boys as possible to be advocates for gender equality. And we don’t just want to talk about it, but make sure it is tangible. I was appointed six months ago and the more I have spoken about feminism the more I have realized that fighting for women’s rights has too often become synonymous with man-hating. If there is one thing I know for certain, it is that this has to stop. For the record, feminism by definition is: ‘The belief that men and women should have equal rights and opportunities. It is the theory of the political, economic and social equality of the sexes.’ Why is the word [feminism] such an uncomfortable one?

I am from Britain and think it is right that as a woman I am paid the same as my male counterparts. I think it is right that I should be able to make decisions about my own body. I think it is right that women be involved on my behalf in the policies and decision-making of my country. I think it is right that socially I am afforded the same respect as men. But sadly, I can say that there is no one country in the world where all women can expect to receive these rights. No country in the world can yet say they have achieved gender equality.

Men—I would like to take this opportunity to extend our formal invitation. Gender equality is your issue too. Because to date, I’ve seen my father’s role as a parent being valued less by society, despite my needing his presence as a child as much as my mother’s. We don’t often talk about men being imprisoned by gender stereotypes, but I can see that they are, and that when they are free, things will change for women as a natural consequence. If men don’t have to

be aggressive in order to be accepted, women won't feel compelled to be submissive. If men don't have to control, women won't have to be controlled. Both men and women should feel free to be sensitive. Both men and women should feel free to be strong.... It is time that we all perceive gender on a spectrum, not as two opposing sets of ideals.

1. Read the passage above and answer the following questions:
 - a. Where is Emma Watson speaking, and in what capacity? (2)
 - b. What is the definition of feminism that Emma Watson gives? (2)
 - c. Why does Watson say that gender equality is an issue for men too? (3)
 - d. What is the change that Watson thinks will happen if we are not imprisoned in gender stereotypes? (3)
 - e. **Paraphrase** Emma Watson's speech in your own words. (15)
2. Write a **dialogue** between Emma Watson and a member of her audience who argues with her that fighting for women's rights is the same as man-hating.
3. In her speech Emma Watson says, "it is right that as a woman I am paid the same as my male counterparts. I think it is right that I should be able to make decisions about my own body. I think it is right that women be involved on my behalf in the policies and decision-making of my country. I think it is right that socially I am afforded the same respect as men." Write a **public speech** addressed to policy makers in your country urging them to bring about changes that would ensure gender equality.
4. Emma Watson asks "Why is the word (feminism) such an uncomfortable one?" Your college magazine has asked you to interview your classmates to find out why they are uncomfortable with the word feminism. Write an **interview** with some of your classmates, both men and women.
5. Write a **letter** to a male member of your family – brother, father, uncle, grandfather – describing the HeForShe campaign and asking them to join it.
6. The United Nations is doing a survey to find out how successful the HeForShe campaign is in your University. You have been given the project of writing a report for the survey. Write a **report** of the findings of the survey, discussing its successes and failures, and recommendations for how better to implement the campaign.

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Maximum marks: 75

Note: Answer *either* in English *or* Hindi. The same medium should be used throughout the paper.

नोट: इस प्रश्न पत्र का उत्तर अंग्रेजी या हिंदी किसी एक भाषा में दीजिए; लेकिन सभी उत्तरों का माध्यम एक ही होना चाहिए

Attempt any **four** questions
All questions carry **equal** marks
किन्हीं **चार** प्रश्नों के उत्तर दीजिए।
सभी प्रश्नों के अंक **समान** हैं।

1. **Biodiversity hotspots** are biogeographic regions with significant levels of **biodiversity** that are threatened by human activities and India is part of four such Biodiversity hotspots. Discuss the role of various human activities that are a threat to the biodiversity in these regions. Also, illustrate the importance of such 'hotspots' in conserving biodiversity. In a tabular format, compare the various types of ecosystems (elaborating on biotic and abiotic components) that are found in Himalayan hotspot vs those found in Western Ghatshotspot.

जैव विविधता के सक्रिय क्षेत्र **या हॉट स्पॉट ऐसे** जैव भौगोलिक क्षेत्र हैं जिन्हें मानव गतिविधियों से लगातार खतरा है और भारत चार ऐसे जैव विविधता हॉटस्पॉट का हिस्सा है। विभिन्न मानव गतिविधियों, जो इन क्षेत्रों में जैव विविधता के लिए खतरा हैं उन पर चर्चा करें। साथ ही जैव विविधता के संरक्षण में ऐसे 'सक्रिय क्षेत्र **या हॉट स्पॉट**' का महत्व बताएं। एक सारणीबद्ध पररूप में, विभिन्न प्रकार के पारिस्थितिक तंत्र (जैविक और अजैव घटकों पर विस्तृत) की तुलना करें जो हिमालयी सक्रिय क्षेत्र बनाम पश्चिमी घाटक्षेत्र में पाए जाते हैं।

2. You have been asked by your teacher to explain the impacts of Global warming and Climate change on various Indian states. You decide to focus on three different regions, i) Himalayan region, (states of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, ii) Arid and semi-arid regions (states of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Haryana, Punjab), iii) Coastal areas (states of Maharashtra, Goa, Orissa, Tamil Nadu etc). Discuss in detail the impacts of Global warming and Climate change on each of these regions, with respect to economy, society and environment.

आपको आपके शिक्षक द्वारा विभिन्न भारतीय राज्यों पर वैश्विक ताप (ग्लोबल वार्मिंग) और जलवायु परिवर्तन के प्रभावों को समझाने के लिए कहा गया। आप तीन अलग-अलग क्षेत्रों पर ध्यान केंद्रित करने का निर्णय लेते हैं, i) हिमालयी क्षेत्र, (हिमाचल प्रदेश और उत्तराखंड के राज्य, ii) शुष्क और अर्ध-शुष्क क्षेत्र (राजस्थान, गुजरात, हरियाणा, पंजाब के राज्य), iii) तटीय क्षेत्र (महाराष्ट्र के राज्य), गोवा, उड़ीसा, तमिलनाडु आदि। अर्थव्यवस्था, समाज और पर्यावरण के संबंध में, इन क्षेत्रों में से प्रत्येक पर वैश्विक ताप (ग्लोबल वार्मिंग) और जलवायु परिवर्तन के प्रभावों पर विस्तार से चर्चा करें।

3. *Shifting to renewable energy resources is going to be very vital for developing countries in order to tackle the problems of pollution, achieving Climate related targets, social upliftment and economic development.* Elaborate on this statement in about 750 words. Also discuss the uses, advantages and disadvantages of any two renewable energy resources which you think have high potential in India.

“प्रदूषण की समस्याओं से निपटने, जलवायु संबंधी लक्ष्यों को प्राप्त करने, सामाजिक उत्थान और आर्थिक विकास के लिए नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा संसाधनों में बदलाव बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है।” लगभग 750 शब्दों में इस कथन पर विस्तृत चर्चा करें। इसके अलावा किसी भी दो नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा संसाधन के उपयोग, फायदे और नुकसान के बारे में चर्चा करें जो आपको लगता है कि भारत में उच्च क्षमता है।

4. You have been invited to speak about Chipko Andolan and its importance with respect to protection of forests, women empowerment, mass environmental awareness and role of local communities in environmental protection. Prepare a speech in about 1000 words, with concluding remarks on the relevance of Chipko movement in the 21st century, using appropriate examples.

आपको चिपको आंदोलन और इसके महत्व के बारे में बात करने के लिए आमंत्रित किया गया है, ताकि वनों की सुरक्षा, महिला सशक्तीकरण, पर्यावरण संरक्षण और पर्यावरण संरक्षण में स्थानीय समुदायों की भूमिका के बारे में बताया जा सके। 21 वीं सदी में चिपको आंदोलन की संबंधता पर उपयुक्त उदाहरणों के साथ लगभग 1000 शब्दों में एक भाषण तैयार करें।

5. Ecosystem is an independently functioning unit with the most important processes being energy flow and nutrient cycling. Using food chain and biogeochemical cycles as examples, explain both the processes and its importance in functioning of Ecosystem.

पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र एक स्वतंत्र रूप से कार्य करने वाली इकाई है, जिसमें सबसे महत्वपूर्ण प्रक्रिया ऊर्जा प्रवाह और पोषक तत्व चक्रण है। उदाहरण के रूप में खाद्य श्रृंखला और जैव-रासायनिक चक्र का उपयोग करते हुए पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र की कार्य पद्धति में प्रक्रियाओं और इसके महत्व दोनों को समझाएं।

6. *'Plastic waste is a by-product of urban lifestyle and is considered as a necessary evil'*. Provide your critical views on this statement, focusing on utility of plastic in the growth of urban lifestyle and impacts of plastic waste on the environment (including humans) in 1000 words.

“प्लास्टिक कचरा शहरी जीवन शैली का एक उप-उत्पाद है और इसे एक आवश्यक बुराई माना जाता है।” इस कथन पर अपने आलोचनात्मक विचार प्रदान करें, शहरी जीवनशैली की वृद्धि में प्लास्टिक की उपयोगिता पर ध्यान केंद्रित करें और 1000 शब्दों में पर्यावरण (मानव सहित) पर प्लास्टिक कचरे के प्रभाव बताएं।