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Subject Code: 2610005 **Subject Name: Communications Skills** Time: 02:30 pm TO 05:00 pm

Date: 26-12-2013

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt all questions.
- 2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
- 3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- **Q.1** (a) Explain the following terms in brief:
 - 1. Proxemics
 - 2. Grapevine
 - 3. Symposium
 - 4. Parley
 - 5. Cliches
 - 6. Jargons
 - 7. Memo
 - (b) State whether following statements are true or false. Justify your 07 answer:
 - 1. Since language is recursive in nature the user can produce innumerable sentences.
 - 2. There is no difference between general purpose communication and technical communication.
 - 3. Dressing in bright colors for an interview is appropriate.
 - 4. An interview is an opportunity to find out more about a prospective employer.
 - 5. It is not necessary to strictly follow the sequence of agenda items while discussing them in meeting.
 - 6. There is no defined order of writing different elements of a research paper.
 - 7. Conferences organized in a business enterprise promote the executives' organizational and analytical capabilities.
- Q.2 (a) Answer the following:

1	Explain the importance of Kinesics in communication giving example.	04
2	Draw diagrams to represent communication networks.	03

(b) Explain the barriers of communication specific to speaking. 07

OR

- (b) Based on different occasions of communication, Classify speaking and 07 explain each in detail.
- Q.3 (a) Explain the steps of planning and preparing for the conference. 07 (b) Write a short note on nuances of delivering a presentation. 07 OR
- (a) List group discussion techniques and explain the Brainstorming 07 Q.3 Technique of Group Discussion.
 - (b) Write a short note on effective use of visual aids in presentation. 07

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- Q.4 (a) Describe the following characteristics of language to be used in 07 technical writing.
 - 1. Appropriateness
 - 2. Acceptability
 - 3. Conciseness and Flow
 - (**b**) Answer the following:
 - **1** Describe various objectives of Reports.
 - 2 What do you understand by computer conferencing? 03

OR

- Q.4 (a) Technical writing must be non-discriminatory in all aspects. Explain the 07 statement giving examples.
- **Q.4** (b) Answer the following:
 - 1 List categories of Reports. Explain any one of them in detail. 04
 - 2 List three negative effects that technology-oriented communication 03 creates in organization.
- Q.5 (a) Write a letter to decline the invitation from the organizers of a 07 conference, who had invited you to deliver a session on Effective Speaking.
 - (b) Explain the following terms giving one example of each. 07
 - Confusable
 - Homonym
 - Homophone
 - Eponym
 - Phrasal word
 - Synonym

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Antonym

OR

- Q.5 (a) Write a sales promotion letter to Mr. Shah your existing customer for 07 the arrival of new iPad 4G.
 - (b) 1. Fill in the blanks with suitable comparative adjectives: 04
 - i. Platinum is _____ (costly) than diamond.
 - ii. Cast iron is _____ (durable) than aluminum.
 - iii. A day on mars is slightly _____ (long) than a day on earth.
 - iv. A very few classes are _____ (interest) than communication class.
 - 2. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition:
 - i. Is the flight _____ time?
 - ii. This is the worst earthquake hit area _____ the country.
 - iii. He held his breadth _____ seven minutes.

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