

**PRELIMINARY INTERVIEW BOARD**  
**TERRITORIAL ARMY COMMISSION : 18 AUG 2013**  
**WRITTEN PAPER**

Max Time: 2 Hours

Max Marks : 100

Roll No \_\_\_\_\_

| Marks Awarded |         |           |       |
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| Section 1     |         | Section 2 | Total |
| Part I        | Part II |           |       |
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(Not to be filled by the candidate)

**(Please read the instructions carefully)**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. No additional sheet will be provided other than the question paper.
2. Section 1 has two parts - Part I & Part II.
  - (a) Part I - Essay in English (30 Marks).
  - (b) Part II - English Comprehension and language (10 Marks).
3. Section 2 consists of objective type questions (60 Marks).
4. Erasures and overwriting in objective type questions will not be awarded any marks. Pages not used to be scored out.
5. There will be no negative marking.
6. To be eligible to qualify, you must obtain 40% marks each in section 1 and 2 and a minimum 50% aggregate marks.
7. Two additional papers be provided along with each question paper to the candidates and to be stapled.

**SECTION - 1 PART I (Essay)**

**Q1. Write an essay in about 300 words on any one of the topics mentioned below? (Marks 30)**

- (a) Recently the Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air Force) played an important role in Uttarakhand natural calamity as compared to NDMA and Civil Administration (Both at the Centre as well as at State level). Describe briefly the rescue work conducted by the Armed Forces?
- (b) In 2012, the Government Audit Agency's findings regarding irregular allocation of Coal Mines has raised a controversy? Briefly discuss the Coal Allocation.
- (c) Fine imposed on Ranbaxy by US.
- (d) Elections in Pakistan.
- (e) India China Military Standoff in Ladakh.

**PART - II ENGLISH COMPREHENSION (Marks 10)**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**Q1. In this section, you have one short passage. After each passage, you will find several questions based on the passage. First, read a passage and then answer the question based on the passage. (Marks 5)**

**PASSAGE I**

True, it is the function of the army to maintain law and order in abnormal times. But in normal times there is another force that compels citizens to obey the laws and to act with due regard to the rights of others. The force also protects the lives and the properties of law-abiding men. Laws are made to secure the personal safety of its subjects and to prevent murder and crimes of violence. They are made to secure the property of the citizens against theft and damage to protect the rights of communities and castes to carry out their customs and ceremonies, so long as they do not conflict with the rights of others. Now the good citizen, of his own free will obey these laws and he takes care that everything he does is done with due regard to the rights and well-being of others. But the bad citizen is only restrained from breaking these laws by fear of the consequence of his actions. And the necessary steps to compel the bad citizen to act as a good citizen are taken by this force. The supreme control of law and order in a State is in the hands of a Minister who is responsible to the State Assembly and acts through the Inspector General of Police.

Q1. The expression 'customs and ceremonies' mean:

- (a) Fairs and festivals.
- (b) Conduct and traditions.
- (c) **Usual practices and religious rites.**
- (d) Superstitions and formalities.

Q2. Which of the following is not implied in the passage?

- (a) Law protects those who respect it.
- (b) **Law ensures people's religious and social rights absolutely and unconditionally.**
- (c) A criminal is deterred from committing crimes only for fear of the law.
- (d) The forces of law help to transform irresponsible citizens into responsible ones.

- Q3. Which of the following reflects the main thrust of the passage?
- It deals with the importance of the army in maintaining law and order.
  - It highlights role of the police as superior to that of the army.
  - It discusses the roles of the army and the police in different circumstances.**
  - It points to the responsibility of the Minister and the Inspector General of Police.
- Q4. Which one of the following statements is implied in the passage?
- Peaceful citizens seldom violate the law, but bad citizens have to be restrained by the police.**
  - Criminals, who flout the law, are seldom brought to book.
  - The police hardly succeed in converting bad citizens into good citizens.
  - The police check the citizens, whether they are good or bad, from violating the law.
- Q5. Which of the following statements expresses most accurately the idea contained in the first sentence?
- It is the job of the army to ensure internal peace at all times.
  - It is the police that should always enforce law and order in the country.
  - Army and the police ensure people's security through combined operations.
  - It is in exceptional circumstances that the army has to ensure peace in the country**
- Q2. Each of the following items consists of a sentence followed by four words or group of words. Select the antonym of the word (occurring in the sentence in capital letters as per the context). (Marks 5)
- A few heavenly talents **DARKEN** the world in each generation.
 

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| (a) Brighten | (b) Please | (c) <b>Enlighten</b> | (d) Glamorize |
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  - He has a **SECURE** position in the entrance examination.
 

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| (a) Rigid | (b) Lethargic | (c) Gloomy | (d) <b>Precarious</b> |
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  - It is **COMPULSORY** that all members of the board be present at the meeting.
 

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| (a) Obligatory | (b) Contrary | (c) <b>Optional</b> | (d) Conditional |
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  - Events ultimately led to **LUGUBRIOUS** ending.
 

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| (a) <b>Happy</b> | (b) Hopeful | (c) Helpful | (d) Reassuring |
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  - The police praised the **METICULOUS** arrangements made by the organizers to receive the guest at the airport.
 

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| (a) Shabby | (b) Random | (c) Ridiculous | (d) <b>Haphazard</b> |
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### SECTION 2

#### GENERAL AWARENESS

(Marks 60)

- Q1. Doldrums is a
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| (a) Tropical wind belt.    | (b) Tropical wind deflection belt |
| (c) Sub-tropical wind belt | (d) <b>Tropical no-wind belt</b>  |
- Q2. The Gulf of Mannar is situated along the coast of
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| (a) <b>Tamil Nadu</b> | (b) Kerala | (c) Karnataka | (d) Andhra Pradesh |
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- Q3. Which one among the following statements regarding South Sudan, who officially joined the international community as an independent nation on July 9, 2011, is not correct?
- The capital of new nation is Juba.
  - It is Africa's first post-colonial nation.
  - India has stationed peacekeepers in South Sudan
  - The Nile flows through Sudan before entering South Sudan and then flowing into Egypt.**
- Q4. In which year was the Quit India Movement launched ?
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| (a) 1931 | (b) 1939 | (c) <b>1942</b> | (d) 1945 |
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- Q5. Rain shadow effect is associated with ?
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| (a) Cyclonic rainfall | (b) <b>Orographic rainfall</b> | (c) Convectional rainfall | (d) Frontal rainfall |
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- Q6. By which one among the following mechanism, soap removes dirt (soil) from cloth?
- Soap dissolves the soil as such
  - Soap reacts with soil and converts them into soluble silicates.
  - Soap takes away the oily part of the soil and thus separates the soil from the cloth.**
  - The Soap molecules binds with the soil, lift the soil and keep it suspended which can then be rinsed away.
- Q7. Which one among the following is used to make periscope?
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| (a) Concave lens | (b) Concave mirror | (c) <b>Plane mirror</b> | (d) None of these |
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- Q8. Kilowatt-hour is the unit of
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| (a) Potential difference | (b) Electric power | (c) <b>Electric Energy</b> | (d) Electric potential |
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- Q9. The metal constituent of chlorophyll is
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| (a) Iron | (b) Potassium | (c) <b>Manganese</b> | (d) Magnesium |
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- Q10. Which one among the following waves are called waves of heat energy?
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| (a) Radio waves | (b) <b>Infrared waves</b> | (c) Ultraviolet waves | (d) Microwaves |
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- Q11. Public Interest Litigation (PIL) may be linked with
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| (a) Judicial review | (b) <b>Judicial activism</b> | (c) Judicial Intervention | (d) Judicial sanctity |
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- Q12. Which of the following team was Runners Up in ICC World Cup (Men's) in 2013?
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| (a) India | (b) <b>England</b> | (c) West Indies | (d) Sri Lanka |
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- Q13. The person who become the first Indian to circumnavigate the globe solo and non-stop on a sail boat?
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| (a) Hari Ram Kumar | (b) <b>Lt. Cdr. Abhilash Tommy</b> | (c) Lt. Ramadas | (d) None of them |
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- Q14. Natural water with pH 7 becomes slightly acidic when aerated. This is because
- Oxygen from air is dissolved in the water which makes the water acidic.
  - Dirt, which get contaminated with the water during aeration makes the water acidic.
  - Ultraviolet radiation dissociates water molecules and makes water acidic.
  - Carbon-dioxide from air is dissolve**

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