## U.G. 1st Semester Examination - 2020 ENGLISH [PROGRAMME] (COMPULSORY) Course Code : ENGP-AECC(MIL)-T-1

Full Marks : 40 Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

## Answer all the questions.

1. Write short notes on any **five** of the following:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- a) Group Discussion
- b) Oral communication
- c) Narrative Monologue
- d) Informal letter
- e) Interpersonal communication
- f) Structured Dialogue
- g) Grapevine
- h) Skimming

- 2. Answer any **two** from the following:  $5 \times 2 = 10$ 
  - a) What are the ways one can develop the skill of reading and understanding? Briefly discuss with examples.
  - b) Define note-making. What are the uses and strategies of note-taking/-making?
  - c) What are the barriers to communication? Explain with examples.
  - d) Comment on the effective communication and miscommunication.
- 3. Answer any **one** of the following:  $10 \times 1=10$ 
  - a) Write a report on the nature and effect of Covid-19 (Corona) Virus widely spread in your locality.
  - b) Suppose a river blows by your local area. Write a letter to the D.M of your district to take necessary action regarding the preservation and safety of the river focusing the environmental issues.
  - c) Prepare a public speech (100-150 words) on the advantages and barriers of Online Classroom and Evaluation system.

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4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: 10

The lives of Indian migrant workers were affected most in the present time on the onslaught of Covid-19 pandemic situation. Children of migrants and migrating children remain invisible and are the most vulnerable and are denied access to health and proper nutrition, quality education and skills and knowledge they need to thrive and spend their lives in makeshift, unfriendly, unhygienic and testing conditions. Taking note of a plea highlighting the plight of children of migrant workers during the pandemic, the Supreme Court on Tuesday, 14 April asked all states to inform it about the number of such children within their territories, and update it about their condition.

Hearing the plea filed by the NGO Child Rights Trust and a Bengaluru resident, seeking directions for protection of fundamental rights of these children amidst the pandemic, a bench comprising Chief Justice S. A. Bobde and Justices A. S. Bopanna and V. Ramasubramanian asked states that have been made parties in it to file their replies.

The plea stated that these children were affected the most during the nationwide lockdown imposed last year, and that they have been among the most vulnerable. It stated that there have been no official reports yet about the condition of these children. "Although there has been marked efforts by the respondents to provide migrant workers with welfare measures, no report emanated from the Central or the State governments detailing relief measures extended to women and children who are stranded or in relief camps and quarantine centres at source districts. The petitioners stated: "The unprecedented lockdown, ensuring migrant crisis and the subsequent effect of the same on migrant children and their fundamental and human rights is conspicuous and an on-going crisis."

The court had issued notice on the plea on March 8. Seeking the court's intervention, the plea added that the pandemic has a "discriminatory impact on migrant children and has aggravated their vulnerabilities", and these children will be "denied their fundamental rights to education, health and nutrition if the matter is not heard and appropriate orders passed". Now answer the questions on the basis of the passage above:  $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- a) Name the petitioners to the Supreme Court seeking protection for migrant children?
- b) What are the conditions of the children affected?
- c) Who comprised the bench who considered the plea?
- d) What did the Court ask for?
- e) What makes the children most 'vulnerable'?