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B.Com., Sem.-VI

Commercial Communication-VI

[Text : *Petals of Life* (Section Two)]

Time : 2:30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

1. (A) Answer any **four** questions in brief : **8**
- (1) What do many people do on Thanksgiving Day in the US ?
 - (2) How does fear affect our way of living ?
 - (3) Why did the boy like Saturday ?
 - (4) How did Rakesh react when he found that his father has bribed his children to buy sweets ?
 - (5) Who was Monsieur Lantin ? How did he marry the young girl ?
 - (6) What was Monsieur Lantin's condition after his wife's death ?
- (B) Write a short note on any **one** : **6**
- (1) The end of the story *The Two Thanksgiving Day Gentlemen*
 - (2) Rakesh – as a devoted son
 - (3) The Character of Monsieur Lantin's Wife
2. As from an Importer in France, write a letter to an Indian Exporter, inquiring about the supply of Kashmiri shawls. **14**
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2. On behalf of Vijay Sales, Ahmedabad, draft a letter to the State Bank of India, Prahladnagar Branch requesting them to open an irrevocable letter of credit in favour of Sony Electronics Ltd., Tokyo, Japan. **14**

3. Draft an individual report on the establishment of a Welfare Centre for the employees of Asian Paints Ltd., Vadodara. 14

OR

3. Draft a committee report on the causes of decline in sales of a company's products in Gujarat. 14
4. (A) Read the following market report carefully and answer the questions that follow it : 8

IT, Pharma, and Textile Stocks Bleed After Trump Tariff Blow

September 01, Mumbai

The Indian stock market witnessed a sharp downturn today as investor sentiment soured following the United States' sudden imposition of a 50% tariff on Indian exports. The benchmark Sensex plunged 1,450 points, marking its steepest one-day fall in 2025. FIIs turned net sellers, withdrawing nearly ₹ 7,800 crore from Indian equities in a single session.

With nearly 60% of India's IT service exports directed towards the US, companies such as Infosys, TCS, and Wipro led the decline, dropping between 5-8%. Analysts warn that profit margins will shrink as contracts become costlier for American clients. Pharma stocks tumbled as higher tariffs make Indian generic drugs significantly more expensive in the US market. Sun Pharma and Dr. Reddy's fell over 6%. Export-heavy industries like textiles, leather, and auto components faced heavy selling pressure. Garment exporters particularly face the risk of losing competitiveness against Vietnam and Bangladesh. Market experts fear the tariff war could slash India's export earnings by \$50 billion annually, widening the trade deficit.

Questions : (Attempt any **four**)

- (1) Explain the headline in simple English.
- (2) Which trend is indicated in the headline ? Quote the word indicating the trend.
- (3) To which stock exchange the report is related ? What type of a report is this-Daily or Weekly ?
- (4) Find out any two factors responsible for the current trend.
- (5) Who faces the risk of losing competitiveness against countries like Vietnam and Bangladesh ?

(B) Match the following :

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(a)	(b)
(1) Face value	within a day
(2) Equity	increase in prices of shares
(3) Nose diving	shares of leading companies
(4) Intraday	base value
(5) Rally	sharp fall of stock prices
(6) Pivotal	an ordinary share

5. Choose the appropriate option : (any seven)

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(1) It was the month of _____ when the story '*The Two Thanksgiving Day Gentlemen*' took place.

- (a) October (b) November
(c) December (d) January

(2) Pete had to be taken to the hospital because :

- (a) he had an attack of asthma (b) he had a heart attack
(c) he had an attack of indigestion (d) he had a cardiac attack

(3) J. Krishnamurti advises us to be free from blind beliefs and _____.

- (a) traditions (b) religion
(c) politics (d) popularity

(4) The older the civilization :

- (a) the greater the scope of political freedom
(b) the greater the weight of tradition
(c) the greater the presence of good values
(d) the greater the scope of personal development

- (5) The boy always liked Saturdays because :
- (a) the school was closed that day
 - (b) the next day was Sunday
 - (c) he used to stay alone at home that day
 - (d) he had no homework that day
- (6) The little boy was waiting to eat _____ after going back home.
- (a) lemon soup
 - (b) lemon tart
 - (c) lemon pie
 - (d) lemon tea
- (7) After returning from America, Rakesh joined a _____ hospital.
- (a) private
 - (b) government
 - (c) city
 - (d) friend's
- (8) Rakesh's father secretly gave _____ *paise* to his grandchild to bring *jalebis* for him.
- (a) forty
 - (b) fifty
 - (c) sixty
 - (d) eighty
- (9) Monsieur Lantin's wife was fond of :
- (a) imitation jewellery and dresses
 - (b) music and dance
 - (c) jewellery and food
 - (d) ornaments and theatre
- (10) Monsieur Lantin thought women's real ornaments are :
- (a) beauty and honesty
 - (b) modesty and honesty
 - (c) beauty and modesty
 - (d) honesty and humility
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