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B. A. (GENERAL) (CBCS)

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Term-End Examination

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BEGG-173 : ACADEMIC WRITING AND

COMPOSITION

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer all questions.

1. Write short notes in about **100** words each on any *six* of the following : 6×5=30
- (a) What are the basic techniques for analysing texts that we read ?

- (b) What is a 'thesis statement' in a piece of academic writing ? What function does it serve ?
- (c) What do you understand by the term 'plagiarism' ? Explain.
- (d) How is narrative writing different from expository writing ?
- (e) What are the *two* primary functions of academic writing ?
- (f) What steps would you follow to effectively edit and proofread your writing ?
- (g) What aspects would you keep in mind while writing the report of an interview ?

2. Answer any *four* of the following questions in around **200** words each : $4 \times 10 = 40$

- (a) What is copyright ? Who is the owner of the copyright ?
- (b) Identify any *four* disciplines covered under the 'natural and applied sciences' stream. Discuss the general features of academic writing in these disciplines.
- (c) How is persuasive writing different from argumentative writing ? Explain with suitable examples.
- (d) What is a business proposal ? Describe the various types of business proposals.
- (e) What is a 'body paragraph' in a piece of academic writing ? Briefly describe with the help of a suitable example, the

structure of a 'body paragraph' and explain the significance of its various elements.

3. (a) What aspects should be considered while writing a review ? In your opinion, what are the elements of an effective review ? 5
- (b) Write a brief review of a film you watched recently. 10
4. Write a well-structured composition (around **200** words) on the topic : 15
- “Conservation of our natural heritage : Our roles as responsible citizens”

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