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S.Y.B.A (NCF-NEP) (Sem.-III) Examination March - 2026
Advanced Communication Skills in English-III (SEC-III)
Time: 1 Hours]
[Total Marks: 25

સૂચના : / Instructions (1) ઉપરોક્ત દર્શાવેલ વિગતો ઉત્તરવહી પર અવશ્ય લખવી. Fill up strictly the above details on your answer book (2) Answer all the questions. (3) Figures to the right indicate marks. (4) Clearly indicate the options you choose.	Seat No.: Student's Signature
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Q.1. Read the following passage and answer the questions (Any Ten) that follow : 10

It is worth saying something about the social position of beggars, for when, one has consorted with them, and found that they are ordinary human beings, one cannot help being struck by the curious attitude that society takes towards them. People seem to feel that there is some essential difference between beggars and ordinary 'working' men. They are a race apart-outcasts, like criminals and prostitutes. Working men 'work,' beggars do not 'work'; they are parasites, worthless in their very nature. It is taken for granted that a beggar does not 'earn' his living, as a bricklayer or a literary critic 'earns' his. He is mere social excrescence, tolerated because we live in a humane age, but essentially despicable.

Yet if one looks closely one sees that there is no essential difference between a beggar's livelihood and that of numberless respectable people.

Beggars do not work, it is said; but then, what is work? A navy works by swinging a pick. An accountant works by adding up figures. A beggar works by standing out of doors in all weathers and getting varicose veins, chronic bronchitis, etc.,. It is a trade like any-other; quite useless, of course-but, then, many reputable trades are quite useless.

And as a social type a beggar compares well with scores of others. He is honest compared with the sellers of most patent medicines, high-minded compared with a Sunday newspaper proprietor, amiable compared with a hire-purchase tout-in short, a parasite, but a fairly harmless parasite, He seldom extracts more than a bare living from the community, and, what should justify him according to our ethical ideas, he pays for it over and over in suffering. I do not think there is anything about a beggar that sets him in a different class from other people, or gives most modern men the right to despise him.

Then the question arises, Why are beggars despised?-for they are despised, universally. I believe it is for the simple reason that they fail to earn a decent living. In practice nobody cares whether work is useful or useless, productive or parasitic; the sole thing demanded is that it shall be profitable. In all the modern talk about energy, efficiency, social service and the rest of it, what meaning is there except 'Get money, get it legally

and get a lot of it'? Money has become the grand test of virtue. By this test beggars fail, and for this they are despised. If one could earn even ten pounds a week at begging, it would become a respectable profession immediately.

Questions:

1. According to Orwell, there are ways in which society differentiates between beggars and ordinary 'working' men. Mention any two of them.
2. 'It is a trade like any other...' What does 'it' refer to in this sentence?
3. "A beggar has his own qualities" What are they ?
4. Why are the beggars despised according to Orwell?
5. What is the most important factor about work?
6. The writer mentions a number of other jobs/professions in the passage. Name any two.
7. Why are beggars despised? (Change the voice in the sentence).
8. Write the meaning of 'parasite'.
9. Write the meaning of 'amiable'.
10. Beggars are _____ (compared with/compared to) other 'working men. (Fill in the blank with the correct option).
11. The attitude _____ people has to change. (Fill in the blank with correct preposition).
12. A crowded bus passed _____. (Fill in the blank with correct preposition).

Q.2. A. a. A group of graduates discusses the pros and cons of starting one's own business. Draft a dialogue. **08**

OR

b. You have been asked to compere on the occasion of a book review by the 'Book Review Club' in your college. Prepare your script. **08**

Q.2. B. a. Write an application with biodata for the post of an English teacher in a local school. **07**

OR

b. Write an email to the principal of your college, drawing his/her attention to the non availability of clean drinking water to the students of your college. **07**
