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SEC-Advanced Communication Skill in English - III

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- (1) ઉપરોક્ત દર્શાવેલ વિગતો ઉત્તરવહી પર અવશ્ય લખવી.
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Q.1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow. (Any Ten) 10

Whatever your station in future life, you should first of all think of yourselves as citizens of this country. This confers on you certain rights, which are guaranteed by the Constitution, but it also subjects you to certain responsibilities, which also have to be clearly understood.

Ours is a democracy, which enjoins freedom to the individual, but this freedom has to be subjected to a number of voluntary restraints in the interests of organised society. And these voluntary restraints have to be exercised and demonstrated in everyday life.

A good citizen is one who obeys the law, whether there is a policeman around or not, and who takes delight in performing his civic duties. In the olden days, sense of self-restraint and discipline was inculcated by the combined effort of the family and the teacher. The economic stresses of present-day life unfortunately do not leave enough time to the parents to look after the children.

In the educational institutions the numbers have grown so large as to take away the benefits, which used to accrue formerly by personal contact between the teacher and the taught. Inevitably, our young students are often left much to their own resources. Often this creates problems, which we all know about. This is an important aspect, which needs thorough examination. The responsibility of our young citizens is great. In my view every station in life is important in itself. Work has its own dignity and there is great satisfaction in doing one's own job to the best of one's ability. Whatever the duties, we should apply ourselves with sincerity and devotion. Such an approach, apart from being good in itself, also has the added advantage of opening avenues for further advancement. We have to see whether we have done our own job well before thinking of criticising anybody else. All too often, we succumb to the temptation of decrying others without bothering to look to ourselves.

Never forget that loyalty to the country comes ahead of all other loyalties. And this is an absolute loyalty, since one cannot weigh it in terms of what one receives. It is essential to remember that the entire country is one and that anyone who fosters or promotes separatism or fissiparous tendencies is not our true friend. What I have said stems from a desire to see that the youth of our country prepares itself in a disciplined and determined manner for the responsibilities of tomorrow. A democratic country is sustained not by the greatness of a few but by the cooperative effort of the many. The future of the country is in your hands and as the older generations complete their task the new ones come along to take their place. If they are well equipped as individuals and as citizens, the country's future will be bright indeed. At a time when you are at the threshold of a new period in your life I would urge you to play your role with confidence.

Our position with regard to secularism is known so well that it hardly needs any reiteration. It is embodied in our Constitution, which ensures equal respect for all religions and equal opportunities for all citizens, irrespective of their caste and creed and the faith which they profess. In spite of a seeming diversity, there is a fundamental unity in India, which we all cherish and it has to be our constant endeavour to maintain and strengthen this unity.

The country can progress only if it does away completely with fissiparous tendencies and emerges as an integrated whole. And it is in the field of education that the seed of secularism has to be sown at the earliest stages, so that the plant can be carefully nurtured as it grows.

- Lai Bahadur Shastri

• **Questions:**

1. What does a person get as a part and parcel of his status as a citizen of this country?
2. How can a democratic country sustain?
3. Outline two characteristics of a good citizen as expressed in the passage.
4. Which two institutions helped inculcate the qualities of a good citizen in children in the past?
5. Why are educational institutes not able to contribute now-a-days to prepare responsible citizens?
6. What does the writer mean by 'absolute loyalty'?
7. Rephrase the following sentence in Active Voice:
"A democratic country is sustained not by the greatness of a few but the cooperative effort of the many."
8. How can it be said that secularism is embodied in our Constitution?
9. Write the meaning of the word : Secular
10. How can the country's future be bright?
11. The soldier _____ to his injuries. (Use proper form of the verb 'succumb')
12. The students are _____ ways to celebrate Science Day with the teacher. (Use proper form of the verb 'discuss')

Q. 2 (A) Attempt Any One of the following: (08)

Suhani is visiting a mall with her mother for Diwali shopping, where she comes across her college friend Ananya. Draft a conversation wherein she introduces her friend to her mother.

OR

You have been asked to compere the Annual Cultural Program of your college. Prepare a script welcoming the invited guests, audience and introducing the purpose of the event.

Q. 2 (B) Answer the following: (Any One) (07)

Prepare a job application to be sent in response to the following advertisement:

"Urgently required a Sales Manager for Smart Super Store based in Surat that sells electronic equipments. Only graduates may apply. Command over English, Hindi and Gujarati is essential. Interested applicants can apply within 15 days to P.O.4532, Times of India."

OR

Write an email to the President of your Housing Society complaining about the noise due to the celebration of various festivals till late night as many students in your neighborhood are preparing for their board exams.