B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2023/JANUARY 2024.

FIRST SEMESTER

A COURSE IN COMMUNICATION AND SOFT SKILLS

(w.e.f. 2023-24 Admitted Batch)

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 70 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

1. Answer any TWO of the following questions.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$

- (a) Why is listening important?
- (b) Explain the barriers to listening.
- (c) What are the traits of a good listener?
- (d) Enumerate and explain the various types of listening.
- 2. Answer any TWO of the following questions.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$

- (a) Describe various vowel sounds of English.
- (b) What are the different kinds of intonation?
- (c) What is contrastive word stress? Explain it with examples.
- (d) Identify the sound of the underlined part of the following words.
 - (i) Character
 - (ii) Foot
 - (iii) Toil
 - (iv) Phonetics
 - (v) Father
- 3. Answer any TWO of the following questions.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$

- (a) Mention the six traits that a leader should have, according to A.P.J. Kalam.
- (b) What does Barack Obama say about his victory in the American presidential election?
- (c) How does Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam plan for an energy-independent India?
- (d) What were the goals that Obama wanted to achieve?

4.	Aı	nswei	r any TWO of the following questions.	$(2\times 5=10)$
	(a		That are the benefits of "SWOC" analysis?	
	(b) E	xplain the importance of a positive attitude. How can we develop it?	
	(c)) D	escribe the qualities needed to develop emotional intelligence.	
	(d) Li	ist the constituents of interpersonal skills.	
5.	Answer any TWO of the following questions.			$(2 \times 5 = 10)$
	(a)	What are the different ways of greeting?		
	(b) Introduce yourself as the host for the College Day Celebrations.			
	(c)	In	troduce your friend to your sister.	
	(d)	Ho	ow do you greet your friend who is going abroad for higher studies?	
6.	Ch	ange	the following sentences as directed:	
	(a)	Fil	l in the blanks with the appropriate Articles:	$(4\times 1=4)$
		(i)	paper is made from trees.	
		(ii)	Bhanu is young research scholar.	
		(iii)	Honesty is the best policy.	
		(iv)	Raj is union leader.	
((b)	Fill	in the blanks with appropriate Verb forms:	$(4\times 1=4)$
		(i)	The news (be) unclear.	
		(ii)	Every boy and girl (attend) the function.	
		(iii)	My daughter (write) a book on medicine now.	
		(iv)	The Collector — (meet) the flood victims yesterday.	
(c)	Fill i	in the blanks with suitable Prepositions:	$(4\times 1=4)$
		(i)	Many people took advantage the low prices offered by the	he new shop.
		(ii)	The Chief Minister was thankful everyone who learn campaign.	nelped in the
		(iii)	This site is suitable the factory.	
		(iv)	Shyam goes to college foot.	
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(d) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate Question Tags:

 $(4\times 1=4)$

(i) Let's go to the cinema, ____?

(ii) Close the window please, _____?

(iii) Don't blame others for everything, _____?

(iv) I am very happy now, _____?

(e) Write English words for the following phonetic transcriptions:

 $(4\times 1=4)$

(i) /tsens/

(ii) /meil/

(iii) /ə'pɪə/

(iv) /rrð(ə)m/

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