

3 (Sem-1/CBCS) ENG-AE

2020

(Held in April-May, 2021)

ENGLISH COMMUNICATION

Paper : ENG-AE-1014

(Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Read the text given in the Annexure and write the number of the paragraph, against each statement, that deals with each of the following topics : 1×5=5

- (a) Problems in building a connected country
- (b) Role of the communication sector during the pandemic
- (c) Access of the Internet to all Indian citizens

- (d) Increasing privatization drive
- (e) Effect of the lockdown on individual households

2. Find the words in the text (given in the Annexure) that match with the meanings below :

1×5=

- (a) A special advantage
- (b) Thoughtful observation
- (c) Difficulties
- (d) Increased suddenly and strongly
- (e) Very surprising or shocking

3. Read the text given in the Annexure carefully and answer the following questions :

2×5=

- (a) Why did Asha decide to move back home?
- (b) Make a list of four purposes mentioned in the text for which Indians have used the online mode during the pandemic.
- (c) How did the New Telecom Policy try to create a more level playing field?

- (d) What is 'digital identity'?
- (e) Write an expanded definition of the term 'Internet subscribers'.

4. Follow the instructions : 5×4=20

- (a) Rewrite the text after completing the dialogues with the correct forms of the verbs :

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Would you mind (open) the window, please? I (feel) very hot as I (reach) here after walking for almost half an hour. It (be) very surprising that no buses ply on this road. You (stay) in this building for five years, right?

- (b) Change the following sentences into the passive form : 1×5=5

- (i) They are starting a new school.
- (ii) About 100 students have taken admission for the next session.
- (iii) I have noticed that the campus is very beautiful.
- (iv) The school authorities have employed a group of people for maintaining the campus.
- (v) They water the flower plants regularly.

Or

(c) Use your own ideas to complete the following sentences : 1×5

(i) I'd like to suggest that _____.

(ii) It's high time _____.

(iii) I wish I _____.

(iv) If we do exercises regularly, we _____.

(v) Our teacher suggested that _____.

(d) Punctuate the following sentences : 1×5

(i) Bitul my friend cannot come for my wedding ceremony

(ii) August 21 2021 is the date of my wedding

(iii) before August I need to do a lot of shopping

(iv) I have requested Bitul to come and help me while shopping

(v) he said I will surely come.

- (e) Choose the appropriate linking expressions from the following list to complete the paragraph : 1×5=5

thus, moreover, finally, for example,
one important function

The media fulfils many functions in our lives. (i) _____ is entertainment. On television, particularly, the variety of entertainment programmes is extensive as it ranges from soap operas, to comedy, to sports. Another function is education. A quick look through a television or radio guide will reveal many programmes with an educational focus. (ii) _____, the media can provide important community information in the form of warnings. (iii) _____, the media can warn of the danger of approaching hurricane or tornado. (iv) _____, the media has an important role in shaping our beliefs. Sometimes information is deliberately presented in such a way that it encourages us to believe certain things or to form certain opinions. As

a result, our beliefs and opinions are influenced. (v) _____, the media serves a variety of purposes in the society that considerably influence our lives.

5. Answer the following questions : $10 \times 4 = 40$

(a) Write a one-paragraph summary of the text 'A Connected Country' (given in the Annexure) within 150 words.

(b) 'A smartphone is now a necessity' for Asha's family as stated in the text in the Annexure. Has a mobile phone been more important for your family too after the lockdown? Write a note comparing your experience to that of Asha's family in terms of the usage of mobile phones.

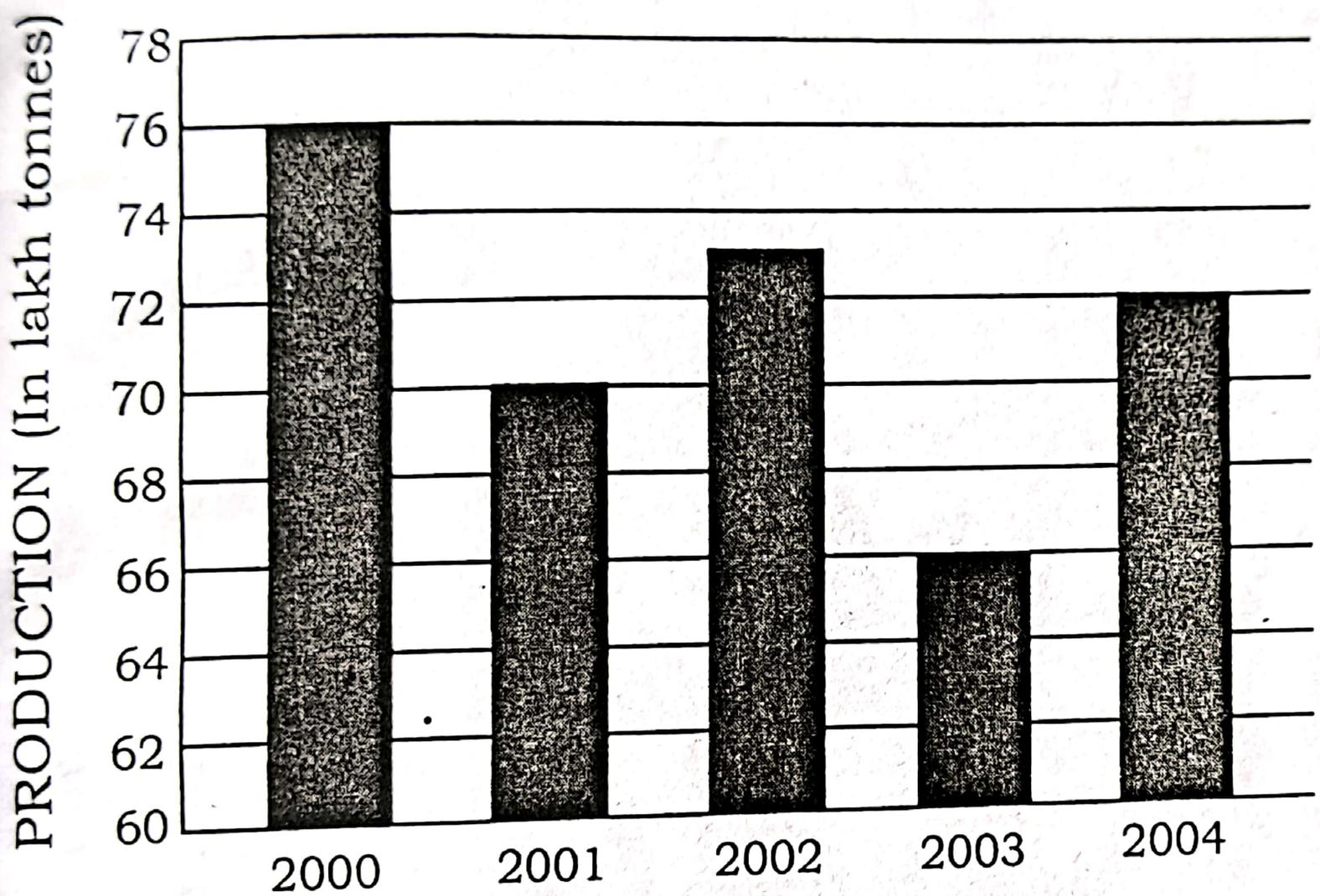
(c) Write a listing paragraph on why we should protect the environment.

Or

Write a paragraph describing the difference between fast food and health food.

(d) Study the following graph and write five sentences to describe changes over time :

INDIA : WHEAT PRODUCTION (In lakh tonnes)



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