

THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT AT GUWAHATI
(The High Court of Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram & Arunachal Pradesh)

Main Written Examination for direct recruitment to the post of Nagaland Judicial Service, Grade III in Nagaland, 2024

Date: 26.10.2024 (Saturday)

Time: 9 A.M. to 12 Noon

Total Marks: 100

Duration: 3 Hours

PAPER I (ENGLISH)

1. Write essay on any 2 (two) of the following topics :- **15 X 2 = 30**

- (i) Bail is a rule and rejection an exception
- (ii) Customary law with constitutional safeguards
- (iii) Victim compensation and its development over the years
- (iv) Uniform Civil Code
- (v) Sixth Schedule

2. Synonyms (any five): **1 X 5 = 5**

- (i) Benevolent
 - (a) Hostile
 - (b) Kind
 - (c) Unfriendly
 - (d) Apathetic
- (ii) Arduous
 - (a) Simple
 - (b) Difficult
 - (c) Easy
 - (d) Complex
- (iii) Nefarious:
 - (a) Virtuous
 - (b) Heinous
 - (c) Egregious
 - (d) Benign
- (iv) Enormous:
 - (a) Tiny

- (b) Massive
- (c) Minate
- (d) Little

(v) Pernicious

- (a) Harmful
- (b) Beneficial
- (c) Innocuous
- (d) Delightful

(vi) Fastidious

- (a) Meticulous
- (b) Careless
- (c) Precise
- (d) Slack

(vii) Meritorious

- (a) Commandable
- (b) Deplorable
- (c) Laudable
- (d) Reprehensible

3. Antonyms: (any five)

1 X 5 = 5

(i) Benevolent

- (a) Cruel
- (b) Kind
- (c) Generous
- (d) Compassionate

(ii) Innocuous

- (a) Harmless
- (b) Benign
- (c) Safe
- (d) Toxic

(iii) Cacophony

- (a) Harmony
- (b) Discord
- (c) Noise
- (d) racket

- (iv) Delight
- (a) Sorrow
 - (b) Joy
 - (c) Glee
 - (d) Pleasure

- (v) Cautious
- (a) Careful
 - (b) Wary
 - (c) Reckless
 - (d) Heedful

- (vi) Antagonist
- (a) Opponent
 - (b) Supporter
 - (c) Adversary
 - (e) Foe

- (vii) Blunt
- (a) Sharp
 - (b) Acute
 - (c) Keen
 - (d) Dull

4. Fill in the blanks:

1 X 5 = 5

- (i) During trial the accused _____ not guilty.
- (a) Expressed
 - (b) Pleaded
 - (c) admitted
- (ii) At the end of trial, the accused was _____ of all the charges.
- (a) Explained
 - (b) Informed
 - (c) Exonerated
- (iii) Please lend me _____ money.
- (a) Little

- (b) Few
- (c) Small
- (d) Some

(iv) The cat jumped _____ the table

- (a) Over
- (b) On
- (c) Beside
- (d) Under

(v) He walked _____ the park.

- (a) In
- (b) At
- (c) Through
- (d) On

5. Change the voice.

1 X 5 = 5

- (i) The jury is divided in the opinion.
- (ii) I saw him carrying a basket.
- (iii) She sings the prayer.
- (iv) Recently the price of cylinder go up.
- (v) Death come to everyone sooner or later.

6. One word substitution

1 X 5 = 5

- (i) A person who believes in the existence of god.
 - (a) Theist
 - (b) Atheist
 - (c) Agnostic
 - (d) Skeptic
- (ii) A person who is skilled in several arts.
 - (a) Renaissance
 - (b) Specialist
 - (c) Generalist
 - (d) Polymath
- (iii) A person who travels to distant places for pleasure.

- (a) Tourist
- (b) Traveller
- (c) Explorer
- (d) Wanderer

(iv) The act of misappropriation of fund.

- (a) Breach of trust
- (b) Theft
- (c) Embezzlement
- (d) Siphoned off

(v) The act of defrauding someone on false promise.

- (a) Forgery
- (b) Cheating

7. Use any five (5) of the following idioms/phrases in your own sentences to illustrate their meanings: (5 X 2=10 marks)

- (i) A bolt from the blue
- (ii) From pillar to post
- (iii) Once in a blue moon
- (iv) Don't judge a book by its cover
- (v) Hit the nail on the head
- (vi) Beat around the bush
- (vii) Call it a day

8. Correct the spellings and rewrite the words: (1 X 5=5 marks)

- (i) Spontaneous
- (ii) Acknowledgement
- (iii) Camouflage
- (iv) Prejudgment
- (v) Overwhelmed

9. Find the error and correct the following sentences (any ten): (1 X 10 =10 marks)

- (i) She is a best teacher.
- (ii) He, you and me are going to the party.
- (iii) Your beauty lies of your speech.
- (iv) She is speaking at me.
- (v) I find her good than you.
- (vi) Ram is a honest man.
- (vii) She can neither dance or sing.
- (viii) I can also speak in English.

- (ix) Cattles are grazing in the field.
- (x) The park ranger warned that a group of wolves was seen in the nearby forest.
- (xi) The sun rises at the east.
- (xii) The number of people do not matter.

10. Parts of speech:

(1 X 5=5 marks)

- (i) Which of the following words is a noun:
 - (a) Equal
 - (b) Beautiful
 - (c) Happiness
 - (d) Reached
- (ii) Identify the parts of speech for the word "gracefully":
 - (a) Noun
 - (b) Verb
 - (c) Adjective
 - (d) Adverb
- (iii) Which part of speech is the word "and" in the sentence "she brought the apples and oranges":
 - (a) Conjunction
 - (b) Adjective
 - (c) Noun
 - (d) Verb
- (iv) In the sentence "cat slept under the table", which part of speech is word "under":
 - (a) Verb
 - (b) Preposition
 - (c) Noun
 - (d) Adjective
- (v) Which of the following word is an adjective:
 - (a) Quickly
 - (b) Handsome
 - (c) Suddenly
 - (d) Behind

11. Write the precis of the following passages and give suitable titles :

(7.5 X 2=15 marks)

- (i) The impact of social media on mental health has become a pressing concerned in recent years. Studies have shown that excessive social media use can lead to increase symptoms of depression, anxiety and loneliness. Social media platforms like Instagram and Facebook have been criticized for their algorithms and prioritize engagement and profit over the user well being. Furthermore, the constant stream of accurated and manipulated content can create unrealistic expectations and promote consumerism. However, the social media also has the potential to correct people and provide a sense of community. The mitigate and negative effects, individuals

can practice responsible social media use, such as setting boundaries and following accounts that promote positivity and safe care.

- (ii) Despite their many benefits, online trading platforms also pose certain challenges and risks, particularly for inexperienced investors. The ease of access and abundance of investment options may tempt individuals to engage in speculative or high-risk trading strategies without fully understanding the potential consequences. Moreover, the speed and volatility of online markets can amplify emotional reactions and impulsive decision making, leading to losses and disillusionment.

