THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT

Aizawi Bench: Mizoram

English Language Proficiency test for the post of Personal Assistant/ Stenographer Grade-II

Date: 07.09.2016 Time: 2.00 PM to 3.00 PM

Total= 50 marks Duration: 1 hour

1. Write any one essay from the following two options:

(25 marks)

(a) Health is wealth

(b) Perseverance is the key to success

2. Read the following passage and write a précis. Give a suitable title to it.

(25 marks)

Of all the amusement which can possibly be imagined for a hard working man, after his daily toil, there is nothing like reading an entertaining book- a thriller, a murder mystery or even a travelogue. It calls for no bodily exertion of which he had enough through the day.

It relieves his home of its dullness. It transports him to a livelier and more interesting scene, and while he enjoys himself there he may forget the evils of the present moment, be it personal or general. It accompanies him to his next day's work and if the book he has been reading be anything above the very idlest and the dullest, it gives him something to think about, besides the drudgery of his everyday occupation, his day to day frustration, the fuss that people make over insignificant happenings, etc.

The habit of reading once developed brings lifelong happiness and companionship, a contentment which can only be believed once experienced. The right book makes leisure hours not only rewarding but also gives a new lease of life.