

THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT

Aizawl Bench: Mizoram

English Language Proficiency test for the post of Stenographer Grade-III

Date: 05.09.2016

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) The value of time (b) Importance of self reliance
2. Read the following passage and write a précis. Give a suitable title to it. (25 marks)

One of our most difficult problems is what we call discipline and it is really very complex. You see, society feels that it must control or discipline the citizen, shape his mind according to certain religious, social, moral and economic patterns.

Now, is discipline necessary at all? Please listen carefully. Don't immediately say YES or NO. Most of us feel, especially while we are young, that there should be no discipline, that we should be allowed to do whatever we like and we think that is freedom. But merely to say that we should be free and so on has very little meaning without understanding the whole problem of discipline.

The keen athlete is disciplining himself the whole time, isn't he? His joy in playing games and the very necessity to keep fit makes him go to bed early, refrain from smoking, eat the right food and generally observe the rules of good health. His discipline is not an imposition but a natural outcome of his enjoyment of athletics.

Nowhere is discipline so necessary as in the army. An army without discipline is not an army, but a disorderly crowd, for it is discipline that makes a soldier ready to die at the order of the commander.

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