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## Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, March 2021 Career Related First Degree Programme under CBCSS Group 2 (a)

## English and Communicative English Vocational Course — X

**CG 1672: BUSINESS COMMUNICATION IN ENGLISH** 

(2015 – 2017 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

- I. Answer **all** questions each in a word or a sentence.
- 1. What is grapevine communication?
- 2. Why do we record minutes?
- 3. You are the manager of a business firm. Write a formal salutation for an email you send to your subordinates.
- 4. Write a phrase for introducing your CEO formally.
- 5. What are the two drawbacks of advertising?
- 6. Why does a company give goodwill?
- 7. Write a title for the minutes of an annual sales meeting in your company.
- 8. Define Business communication.
- 9. Why is feedback essential in business communication?
- 10. What is chronemics?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$ 

- II. Answer **any eight** of the following questions in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.
- 11. Write a note on Electronic presentations.
- 12. What are the etiquettes to be followed when attending an interview?
- 13. Write an email to the manager of your firm informing of your decision to accept the transfer of posting to a new city.
- 14. Features of business communication.
- 15. Disadvantages of oral communication.
- 16. Identify the uses of audio-visual aid in business communication.
- 17. Write four expressions to give your opinion.
- 18. Identify techniques for improving nonverbal and oral communication in intercultural environments.
- 19. What is non-verbal communication?
- 20. Write a fax message to a computer manufacturer asking them to give a quotation for the supply of 50 laptops.
- 21. What is group discussion?
- 22. Write on the importance of building vocabulary of a particular field.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$ 

- III. Answer **any six**, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words:
- 23. What are the guidelines to be followed in using a bias-free language at the workplace?
- 24. Write the minutes of a meeting in which the CEO decides to reward highperformers with a 10 percent raise in basic pay.
- 25. You are the Area Service Manager of an automobile company. Write a conversation with a customer whose car has broken down.

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- 26. Write a formal letter to your superior officer regarding your unwillingness to lead an International project due to personal reasons.
- 27. Prepare a CV for the post of an intern in a newspaper office.
- 28. What are the functions of negotiation?
- 29. Imagine that you are the CEO of an organisation. Prepare a speech congratulating your workers on increasing the profit margins of your company.
- 30. Compose the minutes of a student body meeting chalking out the various measures discussed towards cleaning the campus.
- 31. Mention the importance of soft skills at the work place.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$ 

- IV. Answer any two of the following.
- 32. Prepare a conversation between you and a colleague on a misunderstanding that occurred where you are trying to rectify it.
- 33. Write a formal letter to the CEO of an organisation accepting the post of technical coordinator for which you have been selected.
- 34. How do you proof-read complex documents?
- 35. How can e-mails be formatted effectively?

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$ 

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