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First Semester MCJ Degree (Reg./Supple.) Examination,
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(2014 Admn. Onwards)

MCJ 1C03 : EDITING FOR NEWSPAPERS

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 45

PART – A

Write short notes on **any five** of the following :

1. Caption.
2. Filler.
3. Jump.
4. Divisions of a newspaper organization.
5. Soft news.
6. Transition.

(5×1=5)

PART – B

Write **any four** of the following. **Each** question carries **10** marks.

7. Explain the role of photo editor in a newspaper organization.
8. 'Copy editing is an and a craft'. Discuss the essential qualities needed for a copy editor.
9. Write an editorial on 'Moral policing and Society'.
10. 'Today, newspaper has become a package of information'. Elaborate the statement with the elements of page design.
11. Translate the following passage into Malayalam.

Immediate relief sought for child sex abuse victims

Thiruvananthapuram : The Kerala State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR) has urged the state government to implement a scheme for immediate interim compensation for child victims of sexual abuse.

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"Child victims of sexual assault continue to suffer as the culprits go scot-free. We will write to the state government seeking to ensure that the police will issue 'look-out notice' to track such criminals. We have already sought the state government to extend the Victim compensation fund to victims of all offences listed under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (Posco) Act within 14 days of registering the complaint of abuse." KSCPCR registrar S.H. Jaykesan said.

Under the Posco Act, it is not essential that the accused needs to be convicted for the child victim to receive compensation. The state government must pay compensation to the victim within 30 days from the date of the order of the special court. The existing 'Victim Compensation Scheme' of the state government is based on the Criminal Procedure Code (Amendment) Act 2008. It covers 19 categories of victims of various crimes ranging from Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 5 lakh. However, in many cases, the child victims fail to receive the compensation relief.

"Under the existing Victim Compensation Scheme (VCS), a child rape victim is entitled to a compensation of up to nearly Rs. 5 lakh. The child victim above 14 years is entitled to a compensation of Rs. 50,000 and up to Rs. 75,000 for child victims below 14 years" Jaykesan said when contacted social justice department principal secretary K.M. Abraham said : "Though not all child abuse victim cases are formally included under the VCS, we actually provide compensation to victims." Quoting an instance of the child victim Shafeeq who was tortured by his father and stepmother, he said the state has paid compensation relief and met the entire treatment expenditure.

12. Headline the following stories.

- a) Alappuzha : The Kerala State Human Rights Commission (KSHRC) registered a suo motu case against Muhamma KSEB office on Friday, for disconnecting the power supply to a house, which resulted in damaging cancer drugs worth Rs. 45,000.

Radhesh Kumar, a Muhamma resident, failed to pay his power bill on the due date as he was at the regional cancer centre in Thiruvananthapuram, where his 11-year-old daughter was undergoing treatment for cancer.

Human rights panel member R. Natarajan said that he had demanded a report on the incident from the Cherthala KSEB executive engineer and based on the report further legal action would be taken.



- b) Jharkhand : Home minister Rajnath Singh on Monday warned China against constructing roads in Indian Territory while maintaining that New Delhi wants cordial ties with its neighbors.

Asked what if China continues to carry out construction of roads on Indian side, Singh said our forces will be left with no alternative but to "break" any such construction.

- c) New Delhi : The Union Health Ministry has accepted a proposal to prohibit the sale of loose cigarettes (as single sticks) and raise the minimum legal age for sale of tobacco products, Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda told the Rajya Sabha on Tuesday.

The proposals are yet to be sent to the Cabinet for approval as the Ministry is awaiting comments from other Ministries. The Ministry had set up the committee to recommend measures to bring down the consumption of tobacco products.

- d) Kochi : National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has approached the high court, questioning the state's move to decide the rate of user fee to be paid by KSRTC buses at tolls.

It contended that Section 5 of National Highways Act, 1956 authorizes only the central government to determine the rate of user fee or exemption. The KSRTC's buses are not entitled for any exemption and evasion of such payment is unlawful, the petition said, adding that the government had failed to support NHAI in collecting user fee.

(4×10=40)