

First Semester M.C.J. Degree (Regular) Examination, November 2009 CJ-103: EDITING FOR NEWSPAPERS

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60 Instructions: Answer questions VI, VII and three others. All questions carry equal marks. I. Write short notes on any four of the following: 12 1) Info-graphics 2) Dumping down 3) Libel 4) First edition 5) Delayed drop 6) Ombudsman II. Creative headlines add to the news report. Discuss and explain the basic principles in headline writing. 12 III. Critically make a comparative analysis of editorials in any one English and 12 Malayalam newspaper. IV. Analyse the gatekeeping function carried out in a newspaper organisation and explain how news is constructed within a socio-economic context. 12 V. Detail different types of front page design. 12 VI. Headline the following stories. 1) HYDERABAD: Congress MLAs from Telegana have decided against pressing their resignations ahead of the January 28 deadline set by the Telegana Joint Action Committee (JAC) to pressure the Centre to come

out with a time-bound programme for formation of a separate Telegana.



2) THIRUVANTHAPURAM: Miss Kerala, the favourite ornamental fish of aquarium traders, both within and outside the country has ended up on the Red List of Threatened Species of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) because of the declining population.

The IUCN Red List is the world's most comprehensive inventory and authoritative scientific guide of the global conservation status of plant and animal species.

- 3) NEW DELHI: CBI special director S. C. Sinha is tipped to be the National Investigation Agency's second chief, succeeding R. V. Raju. Sinha is a 1975 batch IPS officer of the Haryana cadre.
- 4) MELBOURNE: Sania Mirza's campaign ended with a straight set defeat in the women's doubles' third round at the Australian open here today. Sania and her Spanish partner were handed a 4-6, 3-6 defeat by the seventh-seeded Russian-Italian combination.

VII. Edit and Headline the following:

New Delhi: India has impressive democratic credentials but yet has the challenge of becoming a role model for other countries. This requires that we should be aware of the impediments, the lacunae and malpractices in the electoral process. These would have to be removed with determination to make our democracy cleaner, healthier and stronger says President Pratibha Patil inaugurating the Diamond jubilee celebrations of the Election Commission of India here.

We can be justifiably proud that free and fair elections have been held with regularity in the last six decades. The three stakeholders in the poll—an independent and impartial electoral machinery, political parties and candidates, and the electorate—must act responsibly. The EC has not only helped strengthen democracy at home, but also helped to enhance the prestige of India's institutional mechanisms.