

Central Tibetan Administration

PSC Recruitment (Sept 2022)

English Question Paper for Senior Clerk

Duration: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Important Directives:

- Read instructions carefully. This paper has two parts, Part 1: essay type, and Part 2: MCQ type questions.
- For part 2: directly mark the option you've chosen in question paper itself.
- Ensure to enter your ID number for both part 1 & 2 answer sheets.

50 Marks Written Test

Part 1: Essay Type Questions (ETQ)

ESSAY WRITING (20 MARKS)

1. Write an essay on the current human rights condition in Tibet in 200 words. (10 Marks)
2. Introduce Central Tibetan Administration in 200 words. (10 Marks)

LETTER WRITING (10 MARKS)

1. Assume that you are the Settlement Officer of the Dharamsala Tibetan Settlement Office. As a Settlement Officer, write an invitation letter to the Divisional Commissioner of Kangra District. The invitation letter is to invite Indian dignitaries to take part in the celebration of His Holiness the Dalai Lama's 87th Birthday at the Tibetan Institute of Performing Arts.

TRANSLATION (20 MARKS)

1. Translate the following Tibetan stanzas to English. (4 Marks)
 - a. རྒྱལ་པོ་ཆབ་འབངས་གཟེང་བ་དེར། རྣམ་ཞེས་གཏོག་ཀྱང་འཁོར་མི་འགྱུར། སྐྱེས་ལུང་དབྱུག་པས་གཏོར་ན་
ཡང། དབྱུག་པའི་འོས་ལ་འབྱར་མི་སྲིད།
 - b. བེད་སྲིད་ལྟུང་ལྟུང་ཆེ་བ་ཡི། དཔོན་ལ་སྲུ་ཡང་བརྟེན་མི་སྲོ། འཕྲིན་ལྟུང་ལའི་ཐ་སྲོང་དུ། ཉ་ལ་སོགས་
ཀྱང་སྲོད་མི་བྱེད།
2. Translate this Tibetan Sestet to English in a poetic style. (Meaning 3 + Poetry 3 = 6 Marks)
 - a. ཡུལ་ནི་མཐོང་བ་ཀྱན་སློན་ན། རྒྱ་བོད་ཡོངས་ཀྱི་དབང་ལྷ་ཆེ། བཅད་འབྱུང་འཕྲིན་ལས་མོ་ཉ་སྟེ། རྣམ་པོ་བདུད་ཀྱི་ཁ་
གཞོན་དང་། སེང་པོ་ཉེར་གྱི་གཉའ་གཞོན་མཚོག། སེང་ཆེན་ཉེར་སྲུ་དབང་འདུལ་ལོ།
3. Kindly translate below given Tibetan essay into English. (10 Marks)

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- a. དའི་སློབ་པོ་ལགས་ནི་སློབ་པ་ཞིག་ཡིན་ལ། མི་རབས་ནས་མི་རབས་བར་སློབ་གྲིབ་བ་བསྐྱབས་པ་ཡིན། དབུལ་པོ་ཚོའི་
ནད་ལ་ལྟ་དུས། ཉམ་ཡིན་ཡང་སློབ་ཡོན་མི་ལེན། སློབ་པ་ཚོས་སློབ་མ་གསོ་བྱས་ནས། ཉན་པ་རྣམས་ནད་ཀྱི་སྐྱལ་
བསྐྱལ་ལས་གྲོལ་དུ་འདྲུག་སྐྱབ་པ་དངོས་སུ་མཐོང་བར་བརྟེན། དའི་བ་ལགས་ཀྱང་རྒྱུད་དུས་ནས་དབུལ་པོ་རྣམས་ལ་
ནད་བཙོས་ཀྱི་དགོ་ལས་བསྐྱབ་རྒྱུའི་སེམས་བསྐྱེད་དེ། ཁོང་ལ་བ་ཀྱི་རྗེས་སུ་འབྲངས་ནས་སློབ་སློབ་པར་བཙོན་བ་བྱས་པ་
མ་ཟད། སློབ་སློབ་ཐབས་མི་ཉུང་བ་ཞིག་ཡིན་ལ་བརྒྱུད་བ་རེད། ཁོང་གིས་དགྲུང་ལོ་ཉིད་གཉིས་ཐོག་དངོས་སུ་ཅ་བརྟག་
ནད་བཙོས་ཀྱི་མགོ་བརྩམས་པ་རེད། ཁོང་གིས་སློབ་གཞི་ལ་ནས་ནད་བཙོས་བྱས་ཤིང། སློབ་གཞི་གཞན་ནས་སློབ་རྗེས་ལ་
བརྟག་དཔྱད་བྱེད་ཀྱི་ཡོད། སློབ་གཞུང་ལ་བལྟས་ནས་ས་ཆ་སོ་སོར་ཕེབས་ཏེ་སློབ་རྩ་བརྟུས། དབུལ་གྱི་གང་ངར། དབུལ་
གྱི་ཚོ་གདུག་བཙོས་ལ་མི་འཛེམས་པར། སློབ་སློབ་ཡོད་སའི་རི་བོ་གྲགས་ཅན་ཚང་མར་ཕེབས་སློབ། ཁོང་སྐབས་འགར་
ཉིན་མང་པོར་རི་གསེབ་ཏུ་བཞུགས་ནས། རྟོགས་ན་བག་ལེབ་སྐྱམ་པོ་ཅམ་བཞེས་ཤིང། ས་རུབ་ཚེ་རི་ཁོད་ཐང་སྟོང་དུ་
ཞག་བཞུགས་གནང། ཁོང་གིས་སློབ་རྩ་མང་པོ་ཞིག་གི་རོ་དངོས་སུ་ཞལ་གྱིས་སྤངས་རྗེས། སློབ་གྲིའོ་དང་མན་ཏུས་
ཤེས་པའི་སློབ་སློབ་སློབ་སློབ་ཀྱི་རེད།

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Part 2: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

Important Directives:

- Enter your ID number in the MCQ paper.
- To indicate your chosen answer, Circle a), b), c), or d) that precedes each option.

30 Marks (MCQ)
(Multiple Choice Question)

COMPREHENSION SECTION: (10 MARKS)

Read this passage and answer the questions following thereafter. (2X5=10 marks)

A fisherman, enfeebled with age, could no longer go out to sea, so he began fishing in the river. Every morning he would go down to the river and sit there fishing the whole day long. In the evening he would sell whatever he had caught, buy food for himself and go home. It was a hard life for an old man. One hot afternoon while he was trying to keep awake and bemoaning his fate, a large bird with silvery feathers alighted on a rock near him. It was Kaha, the heavenly bird. 'Have you no one to care for you, grandpa?' asked the bird. 'Not a soul'. 'You should not be doing such work at your age,' said the bird. 'From now on I will bring you a big fish every evening. You can sell it and live in comfort'. True to her word, the bird began to drop a large fish at his doorstep every evening. All that the fisherman had to do was take it to the market and sell it. As big fish were in great demand, he was soon rolling in money. He bought a cottage near the sea, with a garden around it and engaged a servant to cook for him. His wife had died some years earlier. He had decided to marry again and began to look for a suitable woman.

One day he heard the royal courtier make an announcement. 'Our king has news of a great bird called Kaha,' said the courtier. 'Whoever can give information about this bird and help catch it, will be rewarded with half the gold in the royal treasury and half the kingdom!' The fisherman was sorely tempted by the reward. Half the kingdom would make him a prince!

'Why does the king want the bird?' he asked. 'He has lost his sight,' explained the courtier. 'A wise man has advised him to bathe his eyes with the blood of Kaha. Do you know where can she be found?' 'No...I mean ...no, no...'. Torn between greed and his sense of gratitude to the bird, the fisherman could not give a coherent reply. The courtier, sensing that he knew something about the bird, informed the king. The king had him brought to the palace.

'If you have information about the bird, tell me,' said the king. 'I will reward you handsomely and if you help catch her, I will personally crown you king of half my domain'. 'I will get the bird for you,' cried the fisherman, suddenly making up his mind. 'But Kaha is strong. I will need help'. The king sent a dozen soldiers with him. That evening when the bird came with the fish, the fisherman called out to her to wait. 'You drop the fish and go and I never get a chance to thank you for all that you've done for me,' he said. 'Today I have laid out a feast for you inside. Please alight and come in'. Kaha was reluctant to accept the invitation but the fisherman pleaded so earnestly that she finally gave in, and alighted. The moment she was on the ground, the fisherman grabbed one of her legs and shouted to the soldiers hiding in his house to come out. They rushed to his aid, but their combined effort could not keep Kaha down.

She rose into the air with the fisherman still clinging onto her leg. By the time he realized he was being carried away, the fisherman was too high in the air to let go. He hung on grimly, and neither he nor Kaha were ever seen again.

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MCQ Answer Paper

ID#:

COMPREHENSION SECTION: (10 MARKS)

1. *Why was the king desperately looking for Kaha the bird?*
 - a) The king wanted a pet bird.
 - b) A wise man advised the king to capture the bird for good luck.
 - c) Kaha was the only heavenly bird with silvery feathers.
 - d) The king was blind and required Kaha's blood for his eyes.

2. *Why did the bird volunteer to bring fish for the old man?*
 - a) The old man was inexperienced at fishing.
 - b) The bird took pity on the old man and wanted to help him.
 - c) The bird had caught more fish than required.
 - d) The bird wanted to make the old man rich.

3. *What led the courtier to sense that the fisherman might know something about Kaha?*
 - a) The courtier had observed Kaha alight at the fisherman's house every evening.
 - b) The courtier had seen the fisherman talk to Kaha.
 - c) The fisherman fumbled when asked about Kaha.
 - d) Word went around that the fisherman was in contact with Kaha.

4. *Which of the following is not true about Kaha?*
 - a) Kaha was a very considerate bird.
 - b) The blood of Kaha was precious.
 - c) Kaha was a strong bird.
 - d) Kaha saved the fisherman from the King's wrath.

5. *In para 3, the word coherent means,*
 - a) logical
 - b) irrational
 - c) swift
 - d) timely

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE SECTION: (10 MARKS)

General Knowledge: Choose the right answer from the given options.

1. *The current Speaker of the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile is ____.*
 - a) Ven. Sonam Tenphel
 - b) Dolma Tsering
 - c) Penpa Tsering
 - d) Gyari Dolma

2. *The 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party is due to be held on ____.*
 - a) 25 Dec, 2022
 - b) 15 Mar, 2023
 - c) 2 Oct, 2022
 - d) 16 Oct, 2022

3. *Under the executive organ of Central Tibetan Administration, there are ____ departments*
 - a) Five
 - b) Six

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- c) Seven
d) Eight
4. *The current monarch of the United Kingdom is ____.*
a) Prince Harry
b) Prince William
c) King Charles III
d) Prince Andrew
5. *Songtsen Gampo is the ____ King of Tibet*
a) First
b) 33rd
c) Last
d) 37th
6. *The current Kalon of the Department of Health is ____.*
a) Gyari Dolma
b) Penpa Tsering
c) Norzin Dolma
d) Tharlam Dolma
7. *In the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, there are ____ Tibetan parliamentarians representing Europe*
a) One
b) Two
c) Three
d) Four
8. *The land size of Tibet is ____ Million Square Kilometers*
a) 1.5
b) 2.5
c) 1
d) 2
9. *The official number of reported cases of self-immolations as documented by the Central Tibetan Administration is ____.*
a) 155
b) 132
c) 112
d) 157
10. *____ is recently appointed as the Representative of HH the Dalai Lama at Tibet Bureau, New Delhi*
a) Tempa Tsering
b) Tashi Wangdi
c) Lobsang Shastri
d) Dongchung Ngodup

GRAMMAR SECTION: (10 MARKS)

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Antonyms: For the underlined word in each sentence, select the correct antonym. ($\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$ Marks)

1. Dolma's monumental deeds are enviable.
 - a) enormous
 - b) memorable
 - c) striking
 - d) unimpressive
2. Dhondup's writings on the subject are obscure.
 - a) murky
 - b) vague
 - c) obvious
 - d) uncertain
3. Tashi is eccentric in his approach.
 - a) special
 - b) strange
 - c) normal
 - d) unique
4. Lhamo gave had irrefutable evidence.
 - a) Clear
 - b) undeniable
 - c) certain
 - d) questionable

Synonyms: select the correct synonym for the underlined word. ($\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$ Marks)

1. Loten didn't mean to malign her.
 - a) benign
 - b) slander
 - c) praise
 - d) greet
2. Dawa wants to harness light energy.
 - a) abuse
 - b) benefit
 - c) apply
 - d) control
3. The boss is vexed today.
 - a) clear
 - b) calm
 - c) displeased
 - d) happy
4. She is team's honorary member.
 - a) paid
 - b) invited
 - c) accepted
 - d) unpaid

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Idioms & Phrases: Choose an appropriate meaning for each idiom/phrase. (1/2 X 4 = 2 Marks)

1. *A queer fish*
 - a) a strange person
 - b) a good person
 - c) an unlucky person
 - d) a lucky person
2. *A sea change*
 - a) a tide change
 - b) a full change
 - c) a great change
 - d) sea name change
3. *Lock horns*
 - a) be like bull
 - b) pile of horns
 - c) argue
 - d) think about horn
4. *Early bird*
 - a) low flying
 - b) latest
 - c) first arrival
 - d) new arrival

Prepositions & determinants: Choose an option to complete each sentence. (1/2 X 4 = 2 Marks)

1. Education manifests _____ perfection already in man.
 - a) a
 - b) the
 - c) some
 - d) to
2. You need to make others feel that you are second _____ none.
 - a) by
 - b) to
 - c) with
 - d) for
3. Entry _____ the building was restricted due to covid-19 pandemic.
 - a) into
 - b) to
 - c) of
 - d) by
4. Tenzin must have received his due _____ now.
 - a) by
 - b) till
 - c) for
 - d) to

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Homophones: Choose the option that most appropriately describes the meaning of these sets of similar sounding words. ($\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 2$ Marks)

1. *Reward & Award*

- a) Reward is compensation for effort & award is prize for recognition
- b) Reward is prize for recognition & award compensation for effort
- c) Reward is prize for recognition & award gift from someone
- d) Reward is prize for recognition & award gift from someone

2. *Deify & Defy*

- a) To deify means to confer one the status of god and to defy means to oppose
- b) To deify means to confer one the status of god and to defy means to deny
- c) To deify means to oppose and to confer one the status of god
- d) To deify means to oppose and to defy means to deny

3. *Compliment & Complement*

- a) Compliment means to complain & Complement means to praise
- b) Compliment means to praise & Complement means to complain
- c) The words same meaning and are interchangeable
- d) Compliment means to praise & Complement means an extra something

4. *Complaisant & Complacent*

- a) Complaisant means overconfident & complacent means in same place
- b) Complaisant means eager to please & complacent means overconfident
- c) Complaisant means eager to please & complacent means in same place
- d) The words have same meaning and are interchangeable

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