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DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS

**DEPARTMENTAL TEST FOR AUDIT SUPERINTENDENTS OF HIGHWAYS
DEPARTMENT - FIRST PAPER (PRECIS AND DRAFT)**

(Without Books)

Maximum Time : 2.30 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Answer ALL the questions.

Marks will be deducted for bad handwriting.

I. Write an essay on any ONE of the following topics in not more than 6 pages. (40)

- (a) Deforestation
- (b) Corruption free India
- (c) Child labourers of Sivakasi

II. Make a précis of the following passage reducing it to one third of its length. (30)

Terrorism is in the broadest sense, the use of intentionally indiscriminate violence as a means of creating terror, fear, to achieve a political, religious or ideological aim. It is used in this regard primarily to refer to violence against peacetime targets or in war against non-combatants.

The term "terrorist" and "terrorism" originated during the French Revolution of the late 18th century, but gained mainstream popularity during the U.S. Presidency of Ronald Reagan after the 1983 Beirut barracks bombings and after the attacks on New York city and Washington in September 2001 and on Bali in October 2004.

There is no commonly accepted definition for "terrorism". Being a charged term, with the connotation of something "morally wrong" it is often used, both by Governments and Non-State groups, to abuse or denounce opposing groups. Broad categories of political organizations have been claimed to have been involved in terrorism to further their objectives. Terrorism related legislation has been adopted in various states, regarding terrorism as a crime. There is no universal agreement as to whether or not "Terrorism" in some definition should be regarded as a war crime.

According to the Global Terrorism Database by the University of Maryland, more than 61,000 incidents of terrorism, resulting in atleast 1,40,000 deaths have been recorded from 2000 to 2014.

III. Write a letter to the District Collector stating the poor sanitary condition of your area and the possibility of Dengue infection. (30)