

**2014**

BOOKLET NO.

TEST CODE: **LNA**

**Forenoon**

No of Questions: 25

Time: 2 hours

*Write your Name, Registration Number, Test Centre, Test Code and the Number of this booklet in the appropriate places on the answer sheet.*

This booklet contains twenty five (25) short answer type questions. You have to answer twenty (20) questions only – each one in about one hundred fifty (150) words. Each question carries equal marks.

IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS ALL NECESSARY STEPS TAKEN SHOULD BE CLEARLY STATED. WRITE NEATLY. USE YOUR OWN WORDS AS MUCH AS YOU CAN. ROUGH WORK DONE ON THE QUESTION BOOKLET MUST BE RETURNED WITH THE ANSWER SHEET. YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE ANY ADDITIONAL DEVICES EXCEPT PEN, PENCIL, AND ERASER.

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**GOOD LUCK !**



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**JRF in Linguistics 2014**

**PAPER I (LNA)**

**General Introduction to Linguistics**

**Time: 2 hours**  
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**Full Marks: 100**  
(20 X 5 = 100)

*It contains twenty five (25) short answer type questions. You have to answer twenty (20) questions only – each one in about one hundred fifty (150) words. Each question carries equal marks.*

- (1) Based on the feature of Anterior and Coronal differentiate the following sounds: [p], [k], [c], and [t].
- (2) How synchronic and diachronic dimensions are relevant in the study of a natural language?
- (3) What are the major levels of a natural language? Explain.
- (4) Differentiate between [ph] and [f], and [bh] and [v] with regard to place and manner of articulation and phonation process.
- (5) How can you justify that 'strip' is a valid word, 'strib' is a potential word, while 'ftrib' is an invalid word in English?
- (6) Decompose the following word showing its hierarchical pattern of formation: *denationalizationality*.
- (7) How do we derive 'truly' from 'true'? Show which morphological rule is activated here.
- (8) What is the morphological identity of 'o' in 'will-o-the-wisp', and 'Indo-European'?
- (9) Who can you define the morphological identity and function of '-er' in words like 'taller', 'finer', 'smaller', 'player', 'worker', and 'singer'?
- (10) Show how transformational rules are ordered with the example: *Wash yourself*.

- (11) How can you explain that '*He killed himself*' and '*He himself killed*' are two different types of transformation with two different types of pronoun?
- (12) Based on the theory of sub-categorization show the thematic structure of the following three verbs: *smile*, *call*, and *give*.
- (13) Show to which type of homonym the following words belong: *write*, *right*, and *rite*.
- (14) Dissolve the ambiguity embedded in the following sentence: *Time flies like an arrow*.
- (15) Explain:  $NP_{sing} \rightarrow Det + N + \emptyset$  while  $NP_{plur} \rightarrow Det + N + s$
- (16) Following Charles Ferguson identify nine rubrics of Diglossia.
- (17) Distinguish between 'acrolect', 'mesolect', and 'basilect'.
- (18) Differentiate between Co-ordinate and Compound Bilingualism.
- (19) Explain proxemics in non-verbal communication.
- (20) Identify those demographic variables that are considered relevant in sociolinguistics.
- (21) Differentiate between corpus planning and status planning.
- (22) Define poetic, metalinguistic, and phatic function of language.
- (23) Differentiate between signifier, signifié, and signified.
- (24) Show differences between dialect, sociolect, and idiolect.
- (25) How many language families are found in India? Name them and locate their region-based usage in the country.

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