#### 03 Set

**ENGLISH** 

# **Dinajpur Board**

FIRST PAPER

[According to the Syllabus of 2024]

Subject Code: 107

Time-3 hours

Full marks-100

[N.B. The figures in the right margin indicate full marks. Answer all the questions.]

# Part A Reading Test Marks-50

### Read the passage. Then answer the questions no. 1 and 2:

26 March, our Independence Day, is the biggest state festival. The day is celebrated every year in the country with great enthusiasm and fervour. It is a national holiday. All offices, educational institutions, shops and factories remain closed on this day. The day begins with a 31 gun salute.

Early in the morning the President and the Prime Minister on behalf of the nation place floral wreaths at the National Mausoleum at Savar. Then other leaders, political parties, diplomats, social and cultural organisations, educational institution and freedom fighters pay homage to the martyrs. People from all walks of life also go there in rallies and processions. There are many cultural programmes throughout the day, highlighting the heroic struggle and sacrifice in 1971.

In Bangabandhu National Stadium, school children, scouts and girl guides take part in various displays to entertain thousands of spectators. Educational institutions also organise their individual programmes. Sports meets and tournaments are also organised on the day including the exciting boat race in the river Buriganga.

In the evening, all major public buildings are illuminated with colourful lights. Bangla Academy, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and other socio-cultural organisations hold cultural functions. Similar functions are also arranged in other places in the country.

1. Choose the correct answer from the following alternatives:

Marks 1x7=7

(a) Very few festivals are as as Independence Day.

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(i) more significant (ii) most significant

(iii) significant

(iv) insignificant

(b) On 26th March, people of all walks of life pay tribute to the.........

(i) martyrs of language movement

(ii) martyrs of mass movement

(iii) martyrs of liberation war

(iv) martyred intellectuals.

(c) Various displays are arranged to - the spectators.

(i) irritate (ii) sa

(ii) sadden

(iii) amuse

(iv) annoy.

(d) A person watching an event is called-.

(i)spectator (ii) stranger

(iii) emigrant

(iv) participant.

(e) 26 March is observed in----.

(i) a simple way

(ii) a befitting manner

(iii) a normal way

(iv) organized way.

(f) Different cultural programmes of Independence Day are observed to.

(i) spread cultural values around the country

(ii) display different cultural activities

(iii) encourage people to participate in rallies

(iv) focus on the valiant struggle and sacrifice of Liberation War.

(g) The phrase 'public holiday' means---.

(i) public day

(ii) workers holiday

(iii) holiday of the public

(iv) national holiday.

Ans: (a) -iii (b) -iii (c) -iii (d) -i (e) -iv (f) -iii (g) -iv

#### 2. Answer the following questions:

2x5=10

- (a) What is the significance of our Independence Day?
- (b) How do we pay homage to the martyrs?
- (c) Who entertain thousands of spectators in Bangabandhu National Stadium?
- (d) How do you celebrate the Independence Day in your school?
- (c) What are the main features of the day?

### 3. Read the following text and fill in each gap with a suitable word based on the information of the text:

1x5=5

Fish population is in serious danger from global warming. Climate change is increasing the water temperature in rivers, lakes and seas. This means there is less food and oxygen available for fish. It also means the fish may not grow fully and may have fewer offsprings. Some fishes will become extinct if temperatures rise even by one or two degrees Celsius. Climate change increases the pressure on fish population. Fishes are one of the world's most valuable biological assets. Forty percent of people in the world eat fish as their main source of protein. If we fail to reduce greenhouse gas

Forty percent of people in the world eat fish as their main source of protein. If we fail to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, we will increase the pressure on fish. As a result, people who depend on fish will suffer from hunger and poverty.

It is learnt from the passage (a) ------ global warming is posing a great to (b) ------ fish population. Fish population is not (c) ----- from the danger of climate change. It is (d) ----- that some species of fishes will be extinct due (e) ------ temperature rise in near future.

# Ans: (a) that (b) threat/risk (c) free/safe (d) anticipated/assumed/believed (e) to Read the following passage and answer the questions no. 4 and 5:

John Milton was one of the famous poets in English literature. He was born on December 9, 1608 in London. At the age of 17, he went to Cambridge University for study and after seven years there he took MA degree from that university. The next six years he spent at Horton in unprofessional study. In 1638 he started his foreign tour. In 1642, he married Mary Powell, a young girl of seventeen. But his wife died in 1652 leaving him with three daughters. So he married second time in 1656 but two years after his second wife also died. Of all his works 'Paradise Lost' is said to be his greatest. He finished composing this epic in 1663. But it was published four years later. By this time he lost his eyesight. At the age of 66, he died on November 8, 1674.

#### 4. Complete the table with the information from the above passage:

1x5=5

Who/What	Year	Event	Where	Whom
Milton	(i)	bom	London	
He		MA	(ii)	
He	1642	married		(iii)
(iv)	1667	published	London	
Milton	(v)	died		

Ans: (i) 1608 (ii) Cambridge University (iii) Mary Powell (iv) Paradise lost (v) 1674

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5. Write a summary of the above passage in your own words.

1x5=5

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6. Match the parts of sentences given in column 'A', 'B' and 'C' to write five complete sentences:

Column A	Column B	Column C
(a) Now digital Bangladesh is not	(i) using internet	(i) Internet, computer and mobile
merely		phone.
(b) Already it	(ii) many activities through	(ii) rather it is now a reality.
(c) Now, we perform	(iii) has made	(iii) to build up smart Bangladesh.
(d) At present trade and commerce	(iv) has paved the way future	(iv) our life easier and more
are held		comfortable.
(e) The process of digitalization	(v) an ambitious idea	(v) even staying home.

Ans: (a+v+ii) (d+i+v) (b+iii+iv) (c+ii+i) (e+iv+iii)

- 7. Put the following parts of the story in correct order to make the whole story. Only the corresponding numbers of sentences need to be written:

  1x8=8
- (a) Belal's lot has changed radically.
- (b) He is now very happy to be a self-sufficient man.
- (c) He got a lease of land in his village.
- (d) Poverty forced him to look for work.
- (e) Then he joined the training programme of NHC and received training in vegetable cultivation.
- (f) He has also been raising hybrid cows for milk as well as to produce manure.
- (g) Belal was an unemployed youth of an impoverished family.
- (h) He applied his new and improved knowledge for cultivating vegetables.

#### Ans: g+d+e+c+h+f+a+b

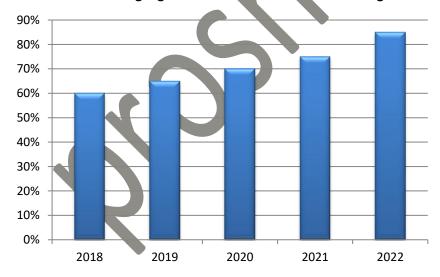
## Part B-Writing Test Marks-50

8. Answer the following questions to write a paragraph on 'A Book Fair You Have Recently Visited':

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- (a) What is a book fair?
- (b) What was the occasion of the fair?
- (c) Where was it held?
- (d) How was the environment of the fair?
- (e) What experience did you gather by visiting the fair?
- 9. Read the beginning of a story. Add at least ten new sentences to complete the story. You should give a suitable title to it.

10. The graph below shows the poverty reduction rate of Bangladesh from 2018 to 2022. Describe the graph in 150 words. You should highlight and summarize the information given in the graph:



- 11. Suppose, you are Anuvob/Anuva. You have a pen friend named Jovan who lives in the USA. He wants to know about your country. Now, write a letter to your friend describing your country.
- 12. Suppose, you are Sumon/Sumona. You have a friend Rahim/Rahima. You are very interested in games and sports. Now write a dialogue between you and your friend emphasizing the importance of games and sports in our life. 10