

DOON UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN

Mid Semester Examination, First Semester, 2015

School of Languages

M.A. Integrated- Japanese Course: SLJ -110

Time Allowed: 2Hours

Maximum Marks: 30

Note: Attempt All Questions.

(Marks: 1/2X10=5)

I. Answer the following questions in brief: (1-3 lines on any 10)

- 1. Name the two mythological gods who are said to have created Japan.
- 2. What was the Jomon period of Japanese history named after?
- 3. Which year is Buddhism said to have reached Japan?
- 4. Name the Indian monk who was invited for the eye-opening ceremony of the Great Buddha statue at Todaiji?
- 5. What is Horyuji?
- 6. According to Japanese mythology, who was the first emperor of Japan?
- 7. Who wrote the Seventeen Article Constitution?
- 8. When is National Sports Day celebrated in Japan?
- 9. What was the name of the monk who gave the concept of Ryoubu Shinto?
- 10. What was the name of the emperor who moved the capital to Nara?
- 11. Which city is known as the cultural capital of Japan and why?

(Marks: 7)

II. Write short notes on any seven of the following: (4-7 lines)

- 1. Tateana
- 2. Yayoi period of Japanese history
- 3. Haniwa
- 4. Cap rank system
- 5. Emperor Shommu
- 6. Manyoushuu
- 7. Sects on Buddhism in Nara period
- 8. Kanshi
- 9. Kotodama
- 10. Shoen

III. Discuss the following topics: (10-12 lines)

(Marks: 3X2=6)

- a) Japanese mythology
- b) Shotoku Taishi and his contributions in Japanese history

IV. Answer the following in 15-20 lines:

(Total Marks = 12)

1. Discuss the political and social structure of ancient Japan, and reforms introduced in Asuka and Nara period elucidating political and social background and its impact in Japanese society.

(Marks:4)

2. Explain how the writing system developed and how literature started in Japan.

(Marks: 4)

How did Buddhism reach Japan? What were the challenges it faced in the beginning and how do you think it influenced Japanese culture and society? (Marks: 4)