NABARD

PY - 2015

(Maximum Marks—100)

[Duration: 3 Hours]

GENERAL ENGLISH

Instructions.— (1) All questions are compulsory.

- (2) Figures to the right indicate full marks to each question.
- (3) Each question should be answered on a new page.
- (4) All parts of a question should be answered together, without other answers intervening.
- (5) Marks will be deducted if an answer is longer or shorter than the limit, or is irrelevant, or if illegible.
- (6) Answers must be written only in English.

Marks

- Write an essay of about 500 words on any one of the following:—
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- (a) Tweeting and Texting overtake Meeting!!
- (b) Media today plays a powerful Role.
- Are Indian parents responsible for Rape cases?
- The Wars of the Future will be about Water!
- Will Football overtake cricket?
- How can you work towards a Swatch Bharat in your Locality?
- (a) Make a précis of the following passage reducing it to about 180 words, 2. and give it a suitable title. Use the précis sheet provided for it:---

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IN 1973 global finance saw a back-room revolution when a group of banks formed a co-operative to offer those moving money across borders a slick alternative to the clunky old telex. Today the electronic financial-messaging system of the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication (SWIFT) transmits more than 5 billion bank-to-bank messages each year. In 2013 it oiled the transfer of trillions of dollars globally by the 10,500 banks, asset managers and firms that are its members. SWIFT does not initiate transfers, hold customers' money, or clear or settle payments. Rather, it provides a template that helps international transfers flow smoothly and be tracked.

Without SWIFT, global trade and investment would be slower, costlier and less reliable. But the network's very usefulness means it is increasingly being cast in a new role, as a tool of international