

B.COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2018**SEMESTER – 4: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE FOR B.COM)****COURSE: 15U4CCENG6C: REFLECTIONS ON VITAL ISSUES**

(Common for Regular 2016 Admissions & Supplementary 2015 & 2014 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer **all** questions in a word/ phrase or a sentence. Each question carries **1** mark.

1. Who wrote the poem “Kalahandi”?
2. Why does King say that it will be fatal to ignore the demands of the African Americans?
3. How does the man in the air conditioned office behave towards women?
4. How did others treat Ashok after he went back to his ship after having been tested HIV positive?
5. What is the theme of the poem “Money Madness”?
6. How did Valmiki’s teachers treat him?
7. How does Stiglitz define globalization?
8. What does King mean when he says that unearned suffering is redemptive?
9. Which intellectual activity is the wife not expected to do?
10. Why was the location “indifferent” according to Soyinka? (1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer **any eight** questions, in two or three sentences. Each question carries **2** marks.

11. What is meant by “Kalahandi is very close to us”?
12. Describe Valmiki’s childhood before he went to school?
13. Describe King’s dream about his children’s future?
14. What was it that made millions of Asians better off in the recent past, according to Stiglitz?
15. Why is working outside the home an “educational” experience for women, according to Sen?
16. Which criminal activity is the most widespread but the least prosecuted, according to Capra?
17. What are the changes that money has brought about in people?
18. How is a responsible wife expected to deal with a sick child?
19. What is the significance of the two buttons on the phone?
20. What are the changes in her mother’s behaviour that astonish Doris? (2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

Answer **any five** questions, in fifty words. Each question carries **5** marks.

21. How does Kalpana Jain attempt to reveal the inhuman treatment HIV positive people are put through?
22. How does the old woman instruct the girl about treating men?
23. Describe 'At the Back of Progress' as an indictment of the discrimination against women.
24. Describe the benefits of foreign aid that Stiglitz acknowledges.
25. How does Amartya Sen relate women's gainful employment to a visible change in their destiny?
26. What are the hardships encountered by Valmiki in class?
27. Mrs. Fitzgerald advises Mrs. Pearson not to be soft on her family. How does she prove her point?

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer **any two** questions, not less than 300 words. Each question carries **12** marks.

28. Describe the trials, tribulations and aspirations of the African Americans as pointed out by Martin Luther.
29. How does "Telephone Conversation" highlight the various aspects of racial prejudice?
30. "Money is our madness". How does Lawrence substantiate this view?
31. Through "Why I want a wife", Brady establishes the fact that a wife is looked upon as a convenient instrument or tool for a husband. How is this done?

(12 x 2 = 24)
