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# MA DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS NOVEMBER - 2015

# SEMESTER: 1, SUBJECT-ENGLISH

# COURSE: PIENGTO5 -INDIAN ENGLISH LITERATURE

Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

### Part A

- I. Answer any **FIVE** of the following, each in a paragraph of about 50 words.
  - **1.** The meaning of "Muliebrity".
  - **2.** *No Alphabet in Sight.*
  - **3.** The significance of the perforated sheet in *Midnight's Children*.
  - **4.** The evolution of thought in "Thought the Paraclete".
  - **5.** The significance of the title "Samskara".
  - **6.** The fate of marginal discourses.
  - **7.** Kamala Das concept of honour.
  - **8.** The sentiments expressed in 'On Killing a Tree".

 $(3 \times 5 = 15)$ 

#### Part B

- II. Write short essays of about 100 words on any **FIVE** of the following:-
  - **9.** *The Man-Eater of Malgudi* as conflict between good and evil..
  - **10.** Context-sensitivity in Indian culture.
  - 11. Gift in Green.
  - **12.** The role of Chandri in *Samskara*.
  - **13.** Karnads adaptation of Indian mythology in *Yayati*.
  - **14.** Describe the geographical terrain in the novel *The Hungry Tide*.
  - **15.** 'A Time to Change" as a conflict and contrast of opposites.
  - **16.** History as employed in *Ananda Math*.

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$ 

### Part C

- III. Write Essays of about 300 words on any TWO of the following:-
  - **17.** Discuss Gauri Viswanathan's argument that the English literary curriculum was introduced in India not to demonstrate the superiority of English culture but to "mask" the economic exploitation of the colonized.
  - **18.** The status of Dalit Studies in India as evaluated by Yesudasan.
  - **19.** What answers does Ramanujan suggest in "Is there an Indian way of thinking?"
  - **20.** The literary map of India was redrawn when *Midnight's Children* was released. Elaborate.  $(15 \times 2 = 30)$