

B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2018**SEMESTER – 6: ENGLISH (CORE COURSE)****COURSE: 15U6CRENG12: INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH***(For Regular - 2015 Admission)*

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A**I** Attempt the following questions in a word or a sentence.

1. The first step of true education is
2. What is cold war?
3. What do the Indians rely upon when their efforts are inadequate?
4. Who is 'the clumsy puppet' in the poem "Nani"?
5. The word 'comes' is repeated many times in the poem "Silent Steps". What does it signify?
6. What was the real name of Anna?
7. How does stammer become one's mother tongue?
8. Where is the novel "The God of Small Things" set in?
9. Bandal Sircar is famous for taking drama to the people by creating
10. In which year did the novel "The God of Small Things" win the Mann Booker prize?

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART B**II** Answer **any eight** of the following questions, each in two or three sentences.

11. Who has become unhinged and lunatic?
12. Why does C.V Raman call water the elixir of life?
13. What, according to Arundhati Roy, could fatigue and shame mean?
14. Comment on the characterisation of Estha.
15. What realization does Indrajit come to at the end of the play?
16. What really happened to Anna's child?
17. What did Bishal Mahato want Ketu to do?
18. Why does the author feel that economics in its everyday and human form cannot be avoided by anyone?
19. How does the golden touch of God's feet make our joy shine?
20. What is the significance of the title of the poem "The Striders"?

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

III Answer **any five** of the following, each in fifty words.

21. Explain Tagore's concept of God.
22. Comment on Arundhati Roy's arguments against the dangers of nuclear war.
23. What similarities can we draw from the works of Badal Sircar and those of playwrights such as T.S. Eliot, Beckett and George Bernard Shaw?
24. Comment on the characterisation of Ammu in "The God of Small Things".
25. What did Anna's husband and Mrs. Bates want Anna to be?
26. How does the narrator in "The Woodrose" come to identify herself with the woodrose?
27. What picture of the grandmother do you get from the poem "Her Garden"? (5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

IV Answer **any two**, each in not less than 300 words.

28. How does Mahasweta Devi expose the human exploitation of tribal people and nature in the story "Arjun"?
29. Evaluate the theme and the technique employed in "Evam Indrajit".
30. Write an appreciation of the poem "The Railway Clerk".
31. Analyse Arundhati Roy's use of satire and irony in presenting her theme in "The God of Small Things". (12 x 2 = 24)
