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**B.COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2017**

**SEMESTER - 4: COMMON COURSE FOR B.COM**

**COURSE: U4CCENG6C: REFLECTIONS ON VITAL ISSUES**

*(Common for Regular 2015 Admission & Supplementary - 2014 Admission)*

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**PART A**

**Attempt the following questions in a word/ phrase or a sentence. Each question carries 1 mark.**

1. What is the ultimate goal of corporate strategy?
2. Which, according to Stiglitz, are the three main institutions that govern globalization?
3. Who wrote the poem "Kalahandi"?
4. What does King mean when he says that "1963 is not an end."?
5. How does King regard the Emancipation Proclamation?
6. What angered Ashok the most?
7. Explain "Silence for spectroscopic / Flight of fancy ..." in "Telephone Conversation."
8. Why does Mrs. Fitzgerald want to have a private talk with Mrs. Pearson at the end of the play?
9. What is the first duty that Brady wants her wife to undertake?
10. How does the fellow in the air-conditioned office treat his wife?

(1 x 10 = 10)

**PART B**

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

11. What are the examples pointed out by Joseph Stiglitz, in the essay "Globalization", to Prove that globalization has not brought in economic stability?
12. What are the changes money has made in each individual, according to D.H. Lawrence in the poem "Money Madness"?
13. What, according to Vandana Shiva, was the negative side of the first ten years of trade Liberalization in India?
14. What has caused more deaths than all the weapons of mass destruction?
15. Describe Martin Luther King's dream about his children's future from his speech "I Have A Dream".
16. What are the most disturbing effects of being known as HIV positive?
17. What was the only situation when Valmiki's father lost his temper?
18. How is a 'responsible' wife expected to deal with a sick child?
19. Why was Ashok admitted in the INHS hospital in Mumbai?

20. In spite of a charter of human rights and a body enforcing it, discrimination does exist. Why?

(2 x 8 = 16)

### **PART C**

**Answer any five of the following, each in fifty words. Each question carries 5 marks.**

21. What is the context of the poem 'Telephone conversation'? How does the speaker describe his own complexion?
22. How does Kalpana Jain attempt to reveal the inhuman attitude shown to HIV positive people?
23. What progress have the African Americans made in a hundred years after the abolition of slavery?
24. Examine the contrasts between social reality and the claims of progress in 'Kalahandi'?
25. Why does Palkhivala say that the world continues to remain more than half slave?
26. Evaluate Mrs. Pearson's attitude towards her family before Mrs. Fitzgerald's presence in her life.
27. Explain the responsibilities of a wife regarding the education of her children as implied in 'Why I want a wife'.

(5 x 5 = 25)

### **PART D**

**Answer any two each in not less than 300 words. Each question carries 12 marks.**

28. How has Omprakash Valmiki portrayed the difficulties of the lower class in obtaining education?
29. Examine the dark side of growth that Capra traces in his essay.
30. Why are Human Rights relevant today? Suggest measures to ensure that human rights are protected throughout the world
31. Enumerate all the advice given to the girl in Jamaica Kincaid's essay, "Girl." What does it tell about the social codes of the time?

(12 x 2 = 24)

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