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M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2019 SEMESTER 3 : ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

COURSE : 16P3ENGT14 : MODES OF FICTION

(For Regular - 2018 Admission and Supplementary - 2016/2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Section A

Write a short note on any 6 (3 marks each)

- 1. What does *Purple Hibiscus* represent?
- 2. What does 'singing girl' signify in "The Goldsmith and the Cashmere Singing Girl"?
- 3. What does the groom symbolize in "The Country Doctor"?
- 4. What does the oiler's death in "The Open Boat" signify?
- 5. What is the transformation that happens to Tomas in *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*?
- 6. Which is the great theme of the novel, according to Kundera?
- 7. In a novel there are instances of fantasy manipulating reality and reality manipulating fantasy. Explain.
- 8. Write a brief note on Brother Jack
- 9. Mention the two phases in the writing career of Dostoevsky.

 $(3 \times 6 = 18)$

Section B

Attempt a Paragraph on any 5 (6 marks each)

- 10. Analyse the narrative style of the novel Their Eyes were Watching God.
- 11. What does 'abstract funeral' in "The House of the Famous Poet" signify?
- 12. How far is Marquez successful in representing Columbian culture in *One Hundred Years of Solitude.*
- 13. Novel is a product of modernity. Explain in the light of the essay What is a Novel.
- 14. Write a note on 'terminal paradoxes'.
- 15. Comment on the multiple implications John Barth attributes to being technically up-to-date.
- 16. *The Possessed* as an anti- nihilist novel
- 17. Non-linearity as a technique of writing.

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$

Section C

Attempt an Essay on any 1 (12 marks each)

- 18. Describe the term "art for art's sake" and how it may apply to the story "Garden of Forking Paths".
- 19. If On a Winter's Night a Traveller as a critique of reading?
- 20. The tragedy of Compson children is due to absent motherhood. Explain.

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Section D

Attempt an Essay on any 1 (15 marks each)

- 21. The novel's sole reason for existence is to keep "the world of life" under a permanent light and protect us from the "forgetting of being". Explain in the light of the prescribed texts.
- 22. Write an essay on the diffrent modes of narration employed in novels with special emphasis on the prescribed texts.
- 23. How do race and American identity play a significant role in the novels of Faulkner and Ellison.

 $(15 \times 1 = 15)$