

B.COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH/APRIL 2019**SEMESTER – 4: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)****COURSE: 15U4CCENG6C: REFLECTIONS ON VITAL ISSUES**

(Common for Regular 2017 admission & Improvement 2016/ Supplementary 2016/ 2015 & 2014 admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

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

1. What does King mean by the statement “1963 is not the end”?
2. What are the signs of acute poverty depicted in “Kalahandi”?
3. What was the response of Ashok when the doctor told him that he was suffering from AIDS?
4. What advice does the old woman impart to the girl regarding medicines?
5. State the chief cause of fear in the speaker’s mind in “Money Madness”.
6. What is the vanishing act Palkhivala writes about?
7. How was Valmiki treated by his teachers in school?
8. What is the main concern of the poem “Telephone Conversation”?
9. How do her husband and children treat Mrs. Pearson in the beginning?
10. What angered Ashok the most? (1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

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

11. What is the code of conduct recommended for wives when the guests arrive?
12. How does the speaker in the poem “Telephone Conversation” describe his own complexion?
13. How do we know that the first man in Taslima Nazrin’s poem belongs to the privileged class and what use is his money put to?
14. Why was Ashok initially admitted to the INHS hospital in Mumbai?
15. What was it that made millions of Asians better off in the recent past, according to Stiglitz?
16. Identify the dispossessed as illustrated in S. Joseph’s poem.
17. How does the poet describe the effects of the drought in Kalahandi?
18. When will the African Americans be satisfied according to Martin Luther King?
19. What are the visible changes in the land caused by drought?
20. What does Mrs. Pearson say about the club that infuriates her husband? (2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

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

21. Describe some of the problems associated with globalisation, as described by Stiglitz.
22. How was Ashok treated by the doctor at the Command Hospital in Pune?

23. What does Amartya Sen mean by the term 'missing women'?
24. Palkhivala is hopeful of better future and world. What are the two reasons that fuel this hope?
25. According to Martin Luther King, when will black Americans be satisfied?
26. What signs of acute poverty are depicted by Das in the domestic scene?
27. What are the changes in her mother's behaviour that astonish Doris? (5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

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

28. How does Das portray the grim social reality faced by the poor millions of India?
29. What are Sen's views on gender disparity in the world? What are the factors that he takes into account to identify the variations in numbers across countries?
30. Examine the dark side of growth that Capra traces in his essay. What warnings does Capra give about unchecked pursuit of profit and growth?
31. Comment on the significance of the title "Money Madness". (12 x 2 = 24)
