Max. Marks: 75

# **B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2019**

### SEMESTER – 6: ENGLISH (CORE COURSE)

## COURSE: 15U6CRENG12: INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

(Common for Regular - 2016 Admission / Supplementary-Improvement 2015 admission)

Time: Three Hours

#### PART A

- I Attempt the following questions in a word or a sentence.
  - 1. Where, according to Gandhi, does the God reside?
  - 2. Who will be our real enemy in the wake of a nuclear war?
  - 3. Who is 'the clumsy puppet' in the poem "Nani"?
  - 4. What does the expression "Silent Steps" mean?
  - 5. What is Anna's husband's profession?
  - 6. What does the word stammer imply in the poem "Stammer"?
  - 7. "Evam Indrajit" is written in the tradition of.....
  - 8. The novel "The God of Small Things" is set in the village.....
  - 9. Who believed that the Arjun tree was the manifestation of the divine?
  - 10. Why does the protagonist in the story "The Woodrose" find old age so boring?

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$ 

#### PART B

- II Answer *any eight* of the following questions, each in two or three sentences.
  - 11. How is our religiosity related to money making?
  - 12. Why does the poet in the poem "Nani" say that each truth ends with a query?
  - 13. How does the poet link stammer and lameness beautifully to silence?
  - 14. What is the central theme of the play "Evam Indrajit"?
  - 15. How was Anna's life before her marriage?
  - 16. What is the difference between growing old in a village and in a town?
  - 17. Why was Ketu stunned by Bishal Mahato's order?
  - 18. What was the mischief that got into the head of Phatik?
  - 19. Why is the river personified a being 'stoic' in the poem "An October Morning"?
  - 20. How do nuclear weapons pervade our thinking?

(2 x 8 = 16)

### PART C

- III Answer *any five* of the following, each in fifty words.
  - 21. How can we be fearless in the world in Gandhi's opinion?
  - 22. Why does the speaker wish to be a bird in the poem "The Railway Clerk"?
  - 23. Write a note on the theme of the play "Evam Indrajit".

- 24. What, according to Tagore, is unique about a boy at the age of fourteen?
- 25. Comment on the characterization of Ammu in "The God of Small Things".
- 26. How does the poet philosophise in "An October Morning"?
- 27. Why does Arundhathi Roy say that silence is indefensible? (5 x 5 = 25)

#### PART D

- IV Answer *any two*, each in not less than 300 words.
  - 28. Comment on Chaudhuri's views on money and the Englishman.
  - 29. Evaluate "Evam Indrajit" as an Absurd play.
  - 30. How far is Ketu representative of the dispossessed tribesman of India?
  - 31. Comment on Arundhathi Roy's use of satire and irony in presenting her theme in "The God of Small Things". (12 x 2 = 24)

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