

**B. A /B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2017****SEMESTER – 2: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)****COURSE: 15U2CCENG4 –: MUSINGS ON VITAL ISSUES**

*(Common for Regular 2016 Admission / Supplementary 2015 & 2014 Admissions)*

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**PART A**Answer **all** questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Why is Doris angry with her mother?
2. Why does Shiva say that “grow more wheat package’ will deplete soil health?
3. According to Capra which is the criminal activity that is most widespread but least prosecuted these days?
4. Who are the dispossessed?
5. What does King mean by the statement ‘1963 is not an end’?
6. Why does Das say that helicopters are not needed to reach Kalahandi?
7. What does Soyinka imply when he says, ‘the lady was considerate’?
8. Stiglitz’s opinion about the haves and the have-nots.
9. Which intellectual activity is never expected of a wife?
10. What according to Aruna Roy is the biggest horror of any individual? (1 x 10 = 10)

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

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. What are the images used by S Joseph to indicate the dangers of deforestation?
12. Why was globalisation pictured as a rising tide that would raise all boats?
13. Mrs. Pearson’s attitude to her family before Mrs Fitzgerald interfered?
14. The term ‘Missing Women.’
15. Capra’s opinions of the existing legal framework of the corporate world.
16. The hypocrisy that you see in “Kalahandi.’
17. What are the sufferings of the African Americans listed by King?
18. The attitude of the speaker in “Telephone Conversation” towards the white lady.
19. The power of the ordinary people in Aruna Roy’s view?
20. Valmiki’s condition before he went to school? (2 x 8 = 16)

**PART C**Answer **any five** of the following in about 100 words each. Each question carries 5 marks.

21. The advice of the old woman to the young girl in Jamaica Kincaid’s piece.
22. Do you think that by the end of the play Mrs. Pearson’s family has learnt a lesson?

23. What picture of a wife does Judy Brady draw for us?
24. The satirical touch in Nasrin's portrayal of the employee.
25. The attitude of the Doctor to HIV positive people.
26. The effects of globalisation on Indian farmers according to Shiva.
27. Even human rights violators claim to be apostles of human rights. Explain. (5 x 5 = 25)

#### PART D

Answer **any two** of the following in about 300 words. Each question carries 12 marks.

28. The main arguments raised by Stiglitz in "Globalisation".
29. What is the argument raised by S Joseph in "For the Dispossessed"?
30. How does Kalpana Jain delineate a serious social problem in "Stigma, Shame and Silence"?
31. Attempt a critical evaluation of Valmiki's "Joothan: A Dalit's Life". (12 x 2 = 24)

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