# **B.COM. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION – JULY 2021**

## SEMESTER - 4: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE FOR COMMERCE)

## COURSE: 15U4CCENG6C - REFLECTIONS ON VITAL ISSUES

(Common for Improvement 2018 admission / Supplementary 2018/2017/2016/2015 admissions) Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

#### PART A

### Attempt the following questions in a word/ phrase or a sentence.

- 1. What is the corporate leaders' attitude towards the role of an ethical order in the Corporate World?
- 2. What is the only sign of prosperity found among the poor in Kalahandi?
- 3. King says that African Americans have come to cash a cheque. What does it mean?
- 4. How does Stiglitz define globalization?
- 5. Why is Doris angry with her mother?
- 6. Which intellectual activity is the wife not expected to do?
- 7. After the incredible scientific progress, what is the greatest threat to humanity?
- 8. What is the speaker's attitude towards the landlady in the poem "Telephone Conversation"?
- 9. What factor favours women over men in life?
- 10. How is the brood in the tree trunk denied the piece of sky it used to enjoy?

(1 x 10 =10)

#### PART B

#### Answer any eight of the following questions, each in two or three sentences.

- 11. How does corporate power impact higher education, according to Fritjof Capra?
- 12. What according to Lawrence, should be provided free of cost?
- 13. Why does Sen call work outside the home 'educational' for women?
- 14. How is 'responsible' wife expected to deal with a sick child?
- 15. Why was Valmiki taken home by his father during school hours?
- 16. Describe King's dream about his children's future.
- 17. What does Vandana Shiva mean by prionization of culture?
- 18. How does the old women instruct the girl about treating men?
- 19. What is the first response of the white women when the African reveals his identity?
- 20. What is obvious contrast between the public and the private behaviour of the employee in Taslima Nasrin's poem?

#### PART C

## Answer any five of the following, each in fifty words.

- 21. What are Capra's view on the nature and the role of Multinational Corporation?
- 22. List out the benefits of foreign aid that Stiglitz acknowledges.
- 23. How does Taslima Nasrin demonstrate that often the husband beats his wife unnecessarily or over trifles?
- 24. Critically examine Palkivala's statement that 'it is better for a man to go wrong in freedom rather than go right in chains'.
- 25. How does the old woman instruct the girl about treating men? Do you think that her advice is sound and comprehensive in this respect?
- 26. Evaluate Mrs. Pearson's attitude to her family before Mrs. Fitzgerald effects the transformation in her family.
- 27. What are the dreams King has for the black people of his country?

(5 x 5 = 25)

### PART D

## Answer any two, each in not less than 300 words

- 28. Examine Vandana Shiva's analysis of the effects of globalization on Indian farmers.
- 29. Evaluate "For the Dispossessed" as a nature poem.
- 30. Through the essay "Why I want a Wife", Judy Brady establishes the fact that a wife is looked upon as a convenient instrument or tool for a husband. How is this done?
- 31. How does Kalpana Jain delineate a serious social problem in the extract "Stigma, Shame and Silence

(12 x 2 = 24)

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