

B.COM. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION – MARCH 2023

SEMESTER – 4: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE FOR COMMERCE)

COURSE: 15U4CCENG6C: REFLECTIONS ON VITAL ISSUES

(Common for Supplementary 2015/2016/2017/2018 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A***Attempt the following questions in a word/ phrase or a sentence.******Each question carries 1 mark.***

1. What is the ultimate goal of corporate strategy?
2. Why does King say that it will be fatal to ignore the demands of the African Americans?
3. Who wrote the poem “Kalahandi”?
4. How did Valmiki’s teachers treat him?
5. Why does Mrs. Fitzgerald want to have a private talk with Mrs. Pearson at the end of The play?
6. What is the vanishing act Palkhivala writes about?
7. What is the main concerns of the poem “Telephone conversation”?
8. Why was the location “indifferent” according to Soyinka?
9. What is the first duty the speaker wants her wife to undertake?
10. Which part of the world has the lowest proportion of women?

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART B***Answer any eight of the following questions, each in two or three sentences.******Each question carries 2 marks.***

11. Identify the dispossessed as illustrated in S. Joseph’s poem.
12. What are the changes money has made in each individual, according to D.H. Lawrence In the poem “Money Madness”?
13. Describe King’s dream about his children’s future?
14. What has caused more deaths than all the weapons of mass destruction?
15. What are the changes in her mother’s behavior that astonish Doris?
16. What are the most disturbing effects of being known as HIV positive?
17. How does the poet describe the effects of the drought in Kalahandi?
18. Why is working outside the home an “educational” experience for women, according to Sen?
19. What does Mrs. Pearson say about the club that infuriates her husband?
20. How has Economic Globalization hijacked culture?

(2 x 8 =16)

PART C

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

Each question carries 5 marks.

21. How does Kalpana Jain attempt to reveal the inhuman attitude shown to HIV positive People?
22. What does Amartya Sen mean by the term 'missing women'?
23. Evaluate Mrs. Pearson's attitude towards her family before Mrs. Fitzgerald's presence in her life.
24. How does the author trace the environmental destruction in third world countries to the actions of multinational corporations?
25. How does Amartya Sen relate women's gainful employment to a visible change in their destiny?
26. What are the sufferings of the African Americans listed by King?
27. What are the hardships encountered by Valmiki in class?

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any two each in not less than 300 words. Each question carries 12 marks.

28. How has Omprakash Valmiki portrayed the difficulties of the lower class in obtaining education?
29. How does Jagannath Pradsad Das portray the scene of abject poverty, misery and isolation of the poor millions of India in his poem 'Kalahandi'?
30. How does Joseph Stiglitz assess the salient features and the effects of globalization? Explain.
31. Comment on the significance of the title "Money Madness".

(12 x 2 = 24)