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# B. A. / B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2022

SEMESTER - 3: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)

# COURSE: 15U3CCENG5, REFLECTIONS ON INDIAN POLITY, SECULARISM AND SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT

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

Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

#### **PART-A**

## Answer all questions, in not more than two/three sentences.

# Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. What, according to Dr. Rajendra Prasad is special about the choice of the official language?
- 2. What is a sustainable society according to Lester Brown?
- 3. How does the poet portray Gandhiji's ascetic detachment?
- 4. What did the people do with their offerings left untouched by Gauri?
- 5. Why was Sakina Begum in despair over the condition of her son?
- 6. What does Seattle say about the cities of the White man?
- 7. Why is it not possible to study the current global problem in isolation?
- 8. What are the things which encourage the growth of fanaticism?
- 9. What did Elizabeth Bishop mean by 'the five- haired beard of wisdom'?
- 10. Why is the poet angry with Champak trees?

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$ 

#### **PART-B**

# Answer any Eight of the following questions in three/four sentences.

## Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What is the role of conventions in a democracy?
- 12. What was the Magistrate guilty of, according to Abdul Rahman?
- 13. Name the animals haunting the forest kept by the poet?
- 14. How is heterodoxy in art treated?
- 15. What was Roshan's response when Sakina Begum asked him not to bring food to the hospital?
- 16. Bring out the comparison between Gandhiji and Harischandra.
- 17. Why do the people refuse to open the doors in the poem 'Smoke'?
- 18. How does the cobra respond to the people worshiping it?
- 19. What does a nation of 350 million require to achieve its goal?
- 20. What is the attitude of the Indians to their ancestors? How does it differ from that of the white man?  $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

#### **PART-C**

# Answer any Five of the following questions in a paragraph.

#### Each question carries 5 marks

- 21. Comment on the ending of the story 'Smaller Gandhis'?
- 22. What is the value of the Directive Principles?
- 23. Describe the great famine.
- 24. Why does Robinson Jeffers choose the rocky coast for the construction of his house?
- 25. Why did the poet's mother refuse to have the trees cut down?
- 26. Describe the grievances of the snake regarding the way it is treated by human beings?
- 27. How did the people respond to the mysterious appearance of Gauri?

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

#### **PART-D**

## Answer any Two of the following questions in essay form in about 300 words.

#### Each question carries 12 marks.

- 28. Give an account of Shashi Tharoor's views on the pluralism of Indian Society.
- 29. Attempt a character sketch of Brother Abdul Rahman.
- 30. How does the story 'Roots' glorify love in the face of communal passions?
- 31. Describe the features of an ecological view of the world.

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$ 

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