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M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - NOVEMBER 2018 SEMESTER 1 : ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE COURSE : 16P1ENGT05 : INDIAN ENGLISH LITERATURE (For Regular - 2018 Admission & Supplementary 2017 & 2016 Admissions)

Name

Time : Three Hours

Section A Answer any 6 (3 marks each)

- 1. 'Immigrant angst' in The interpreter of Maladies.
- 2. Why does Ramanujan compare Indian thinking to concentric nests?
- 3. What does Yesudasan mean by the politics of knowledge?
- 4. Why does Kamala Das say that she is the beloved and the betrayed?
- 5. Comment on the biblical allusions used in the poem A Time to Change.
- 6. Analyse the symbolic elements of the poem *Hawk*.
- 7. Attempt a feminist reading of the poem *The Lotus*.
- 8. Consider Mahapatra as a modern poet.
- 9. Elaborate on the significance of poetic diction in *Muliebrity*.

 $(3 \times 6 = 18)$

Section B Answer any 5 (6 marks each)

- 10. Characterisation of Maimuna
- 11. Religious imagery in Midnight's Children.
- 12. How does Karnad present the theme of responsibility in Yayati?
- 13. Manjula Padmanabhan features the seductions of new digital technology in *Harvest*. Discuss.
- 14. How does The Inheritance of Loss portray the interaction of the West and the East?
- 15. What does Gauri Viswanathan say about curricular selection and the impulse to dominate and control?
- 16. Write a note on the ecological relevance of the poem *The Felling of the Banyan tree*.
- 17. How does Meena Kandasami portray the politics of body and caste in her poems?

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$

Section C Answer any 1 (12 marks each)

- 18. Comment on the transformation of Raju from a tour guide to a spiritual guide
- 19. *Silence! The Court is in Session* discusses the sources and manifestations of power in human life. Discuss.
- 20. Comment on womanhood and patriarchy in the God Of Small Things

 $(12 \times 1 = 12)$

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Max. Marks: 75

Section D Answer any 1 (15 marks each)

- 21. "We can never breach the space between two cultures." Discuss the statement analysing the prescribed novels.
- 22. "Becoming part of the new society is more important to migrants than retaining their old society." Discuss the statement analysing the prescribed novels.
- 23. Examine the impact of acceptance and rejection on people in the light of *Interpreter of maladies, The God of Small things and The Inheritance of Loss.*

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