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23U301

B. A / B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION : NOVEMBER 2023

SEMESTER 3 : ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)

COURSE : 19U3CCENG5 : SCRIPTING THE NATION: READINGS ON INDIAN POLITY, SECULARISM AND SUSTAINABILITY

(For Regular 2022 Admission and Improvement / Supplementary -2021/2020 / 2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer All (1 mark each)

1. State briefly the relevance of the 73rd amendment of the Indian constitution.
2. What is the name of the network of mass-based movements led by Medha Patkar?
3. Identify the reason why children were not sent outdoors for playing in "Roots".
4. Recall the identities of Pindaris and Bhils.
5. Recall the international forum that included "Brother Abdul Rahman" in one of its publications?
6. How does Capra define a social paradigm?
7. State why Roopchandji cursed everyone.
8. State the reason why Roopchandji thrashed Fajjan with his shoes.
9. Attempt a critique of the statement that the present government cannot be trusted in peace or war in 'Choice Before Us'?
10. Identify the place where the story, "Tauba Tek Singh" takes place.

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

11. Explain the process of exchange envisaged by the states.
12. Evaluate the statement from "Roots", "Now the luggage seemed to have legs and danced through the house"
13. Comment on the argument that British government has a special responsibility for the Growth of fascism in 'Choice Before Us'?
14. What is deep ecological awareness?
15. State why Chenna was reluctant to leave the plot.
16. Indicate the rumour that prompted a few to go to Pakistan in "Roots".
17. Indicate the trick played by Chabban Mian in "Roots"?
18. "Where there is light, there is also shadow." Identify the speaker and the context.
19. Recall Gandhi's first complaint regarding the state of religion in India.
20. Analyse the figure of speech in the line "Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection".

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

21. Explain how Bishan Singh responded at the time of transfer.
22. Comment on the anti-ecological nature of our social and economic structures in the light of Capra's essay.

23. Discuss the context that prompted Tagore to write the poem Gitanjai 35.
24. How do you defend Gandhi's view that cruelties in religion are due to ignorant and credulous people?
25. Explain Amma's worry about the saplings that she used to nurse?
26. Consider Brother Abdul Rahman as an ideal human being.
27. Indicate who, according to Kumar Vikal, are the victims of the widespread communal violence.

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

28. Critically assess Eichler's apprehensions about Earth's carrying capacity and her suggestions for sustainability.
29. Explain the 'problem of boundaries' expressed in the shortstory, "Tauba Tek Singh".
30. Analyse the contemporary relevance of the poem "Can You Make Out".
31. Examine the questions of justice, the story "Brother Abdul Rahman" puts forth.

(12 x 2 = 24)