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B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2024 SEMESTER 3 : ENGLISH

COURSE: 19U3CRENG3: LITERATURE AND INFORMATICS

(For Regular 2023 Admission and Improvement/Supplementary 2022/2021/2020/2019 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART A Answer All (1 mark each)

- 1. Who declared that "fiction has become a museum-piece genre"?
- 2. What is DBS?
- 3. What is the working definition given by Alcorn to ethics?
- 4. Give examples for web 2.0 platforms.
- 5. What is meant by the North-South gap?
- 6. Who was called by the Times magazine as "The Last Media Mogul"?
- 7. Expand UNFPA.
- 8. Who proposed the idea of the end of "a coherant and directional History of mankind"?
- 9. What are some of the fringe ideas in the field of healthcare?
- 10. What is 'natural selection'?

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

PART B

Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. Write a note on the role of public telephone in distance learning.
- 12. What is the Age of Whimsy?
- 13. How was the inscription made by phonographs different from that by media that existed until then?
- 14. What according to Mayers, is the main characteristic of the new humane technology?
- 15. What is the supporting protocol shared by both science and media?
- 16. What, according to Alcorn, is wrong with the working definition given to ethics?
- 17. What does Myers mean by 'technology with a planetary face'?
- 18. What, according to Toynbee, led to the fall of major civilizations of the world?
- 19. Define population carrying capacity.
- 20. Why is telemedicine particularly a useful option for prisoners?

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

PART C Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Why was Murdoch's company under threat of becoming obsolete?
- 22. How has the development in the area of telecommunication technology impacted distance learning programmes?
- 23. How did phonograph, as a medium, in 19th century, reconstruct the common or normative sense of publicness?
- 24. How has the age of information technology led to the creation of a 'flat world'?

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- 25. How do civic websites lead to implicit constructions of identity?
- 26. What kind of a technology is recommended by Myers in his essay "Creating the Future"?
- 27. What are some of the important issues in developing telemedicine?

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

PART D Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. In a statement UNFPA has observed: "What will happen as human population approaches these limits [of carrying capacity], either globally or locally, will depend on human choices about lifestyles, environmental protection and equity". Discuss with reference to the essay "Earth's Carrying Capacity".
- 29. How has the literary animal, in the age of information technology, in threat of extinction, found powerful tools for evolution?
- 30. How does the essay "The Young and the Digital" argue against the common notion that the new media ecology turns young people into social recluses?
- 31. What is ethics from a natural point of view? How does the human intervention to the processes of nature necessitate a careful application of choice?

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$

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