

U.G. 1st Semester Examination - 2019**ENGLISH****[PROGRAMME]****Language Core Course (LCC)****Course Code : ENGP-LCC-T-I****[NEW COURSE]****SET - I**

Full Marks : 60

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Answer all the questions.**1. Answer any **ten** questions from the following :

$$2 \times 10 = 20$$

- a) What great temple is referred to in the poem 'Dawn at Puri'?
- b) What is the first image presented in the opening of 'Dawn at Puri'?
- c) Who had lit the funeral pyre of Selvi's mother?
- d) What is the thing which the speaker wants to dedicate in honour of the casuarina tree?
- e) In which language does the speaker write in the poem "An Introduction"?

[Turn over]

- f) Explain – "But my sad women body felt so beaten"
- g) Where was the speaker of the poem "An Introduction" born?
- h) "Write in two"– what are the 'two' referred to in the poem "An Introduction"?
- i) With which object did the poet compare the water lilies in the poem "Our Casuarina Tree"?
- j) Why was the casuarina tree very dear to the speaker of the poem 'Our Casuarina Tree'?
- k) What is the colour of the orphan girl's hair?
- l) What does the poet mean by the expression "with a weight of sorrow and guilt oppres'd"?
- m) Where was Selvi's sister when their mother died?
- n) Who was the singing teacher of Selvi?
- o) How did Mohan and Selvi come to know each other?

2. Answer any **four** of the following questions :

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

- a) Why was Selvi not happy with Mohan?
- b) Consider 'An Introduction' as a critique of patriarchy.

- c) How does the 'orphan girl' represent the human condition?
- d) How does the tree evoke a mood of nostalgia in the poem '*Our Casuarina Tree*'?
- e) Discuss the central idea of the poem '*Dawn at Puri*'.
- f) Write a short note on the ending of 'Selvi'.

3. Answer the following questions : $10 \times 2 = 20$

- a) Sketch the character of Amal in *The Post Office*.

OR

- b) Discuss the role of minor characters in *The Post Office*.
- c) Describe Hindu and Muslim festivals as observed by the writer in the essay "My Birthplace".

OR

- d) Discuss the narrative style in "My Birthplace"?