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U.G. 1st Semester Examination - 2019

ENGLISH

[PROGRAMME]

Language Core Course (LCC)

Course Code : ENGP-LCC-T-I

[OLD COURSE]

SET - II

Full Marks : 60

Time : 2½ 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 :

2×10=20

a) "I can't bear the sight of anyone..."

Why cannot the speaker "Bear the sight of anyone"?

b) Where is Borrowdale?

c) How does Derozio describe the hair of the orphan girl?

d) How did the speaker in "An Introduction" ignore her womanliness?

[Turn over]

- e) "Be Amy, or be Kamala. Or, better still, be Madhavikutty".— Explain.
- f) Why does R.K. Narayan describe Mohan as a 'financial expert'?
- g) How does the speaker in "Our Casuarina Tree" describe the water-lilies?
- h) "It is time to choose names."
What are the names mentioned?
- i) "Unto thy honour, Tree, beloved of those"
— Who are 'those' referred to in the poem?
- j) "A skull in the holy sands"
— What does the skull symbolise?
- k) Describe in your own words how Selvi reacted immediately after the death of her mother.
- l) Use the idiom 'at arm's length' in a sentence of your own.
- m) Why is the world called 'unpitying' in the poem "The Orphan Girl"?
- n) What does 'dirge' mean?

o) Why are the women called 'widowed women' rather than widows?

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

5×4=20

a) Locate and annotate:

I am Indian, very brown, born in Malabar,
I speak three languages, write in
Two, dream in one,
Don't write in English, they said, English is
not your mother-tongue.

b) Locate and annotate:

Her sire had joined the wake of war;
The battle-shock, the shout, and scar
He knew, and gained a glorious grave -
Such is the guerdon of the brave!

c) How does Mahapatra describe the dawn at Puri?

d) Discuss how "Our Casuarina Tree" is a poem of recollection.

e) Discuss R. K. Narayan's 'Selvi' as a story of a woman's fight against male dominance.

f) Discuss how "The Orphan Girl" shows the evil effects of war on human life.

g) Comment on the symbolism in "An Introduction" by Kamala Das.

h) Locate and annotate:

Their austere eyes

stare like those caught in a net

hanging by the dawn's shining strands of faith.

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

a) Discuss the role of minor characters in *The Post Office*.

OR

b) Discuss Tagore's use of symbolism in *The Post Office*.

c) Describe, after Nirad C. Chaudhuri, the life on "the other bank".

OR

d) How does Nirad C. Chaudhuri describe the Swing Festival at Kishorganj?