U.G. 1st Semester Examination - 2019

ENGLISH

[PROGRAMME]

Language Core Course (LCC)

Course Code : ENGP-LCC-T-I

[OLD 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** from the following: 2×10=20

a) "Ungrateful wretch ..."

Describe in your own words the occasion of the remark.

b) Who are waiting to enter the Great Temple in "Dawn at Puri"?

c) Why does the poet want to "consecrate a lay" in memory of casuarina tree?

d) What is the last wish of the speaker's ageing mother in Jayanta Mahapatra's poem?

e) "I shrank pitifully"

– Why did the poet say this?

f) "It is time to choose names."

– What are the names mentioned?

g) "When slumbered in his cave the water-wraith"

– What do you mean by "water-wraith"?

h) What do you mean by "The bosom whose blood must gush unbound"?

i) What do you mean by "Javali" and "Pallavi"?

j) Give the antonym of 'huge' and make a sentence with it.

k) "She went through her career like 'an automaton' ..."

– Why is the person compared to 'an automaton'?

l) "Everyone curried Mohan's favour"

– What does 'currying favour' mean?

m) They named her the Goddess of Melody.

(Rewrite the sentence into passive voice)

n) "Such is the guerdon of the brave!"

– What do you mean by 'guerdon'? What does the poet mean to say here?

o) How did Mohan come to know the family of Selvi?

2. Answer any **four** of the following questions: 5×4=20

a) Locate and annotate:

The language I speak,

Becomes mine, its distortions, its queerness

All mine, mine alone.

It is half-English, half-Indian, funny perhaps, but it is honest,

It is as human as I am human, don't

You see?

b) Locate and annotate:

Her anguished mother's suffering heart

Could not endure a widow's part;

She sank beneath her soul's distress,

And left her infant parentless.

c) What is the significance of the title "Dawn at Puri"?

d) In "Our Casuarina Tree" the poet immortalises the tree. Elucidate.

e) Comment on the character of Mohan in R.K. Narayan's "Selvi".

f) H.L.V. Derozio's "The Orphan Girl" reflects his concern for the society. Discuss.

g) In "An Introduction" Kamala Das revolts against society. Discuss.

h) Locate and annotate:

... and though weak the verse
That would thy beauty fain, or fain rehearse,
May love defend thee from Oblivion's curse.

3. Answer the following questions: 10×2=20

a) *The Post Office* is 'a play of ideas'. Discuss.

OR

b) Critically discuss the ending of *The Post office*.

c) How does Nirad C. Chaudhuri describe the car festival at Kishorganj?

OR

d) Describe after Nirad C. Chaudhuri, any one locality of Kishorganj.