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# V Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Regular/Supplementary/ Improvement) Examination, November 2023 (2019 – 2021 Admissions) CORE COURSE IN FUNCTIONAL ENGLISH 5B09FNG: Indian Writings in English

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 40

PART – A

I. Answer the following questions in a word or phrase.

 $(6 \times 1 = 6)$ 

- 1) Where was Sir Mohan Lal waiting before the train's arrival?
- 2) Who is the author of *The Broken Wing*?
- 3) What did Rama give free with every item?
- 4) Name the siblings of Toru Dutt.
- 5) Name the fictional town that forms the setting for R.K. Narayan's works.
- 6) When do the weavers weave the cloth for the queen ?

PART - B

II. Answer any six of the following questions.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12)$ 

- 7) Bring out the irony in Khushwant Singh's Karma.
- 8) Kamala Das' portrayal of husband in The Old Playhouse.
- 9) How does Mohan Lal compare his life in Oxford with his present life in India?
- 10) Why did Chandan move to England from India?
- 11) Why did Hari Singh not make many friends?
- 12) Why did the riot break out in The Martyr's Corner?
- 13) Who are the big trio of Indian English Literature?
- 14) What is the theme of *Vacating an Apartment*?



## PART - C

# III. Answer any four of the following questions.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12)$ 

- 15) Recollection of childhood memories in *Our Casuarina Tree*.
- 16) What secret did Patel and Bharati hide from Tara and Chandan?
- 17) What does Nehru say in Animals in Prison?
- 18) Irony in Eunice Desouza's Catholic Mother.
- 19) Comment on the significance of "plastic food" in Vikram Seth's poem Round and Round.
- 20) "Love, trust and compassion transformed Hari Singh". Explain with reference to *The Thief*.

### PART - D

# IV. Answer any two of the following.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

- 21) Comment on Sarojini Naidu's use of colours in "Indian Weavers".
- 22) Describe the character of Lady Lal.
- 23) Attempt an essay on gender issues in Dattani's Tara.
- 24) Write a note on Tagore's idea of Nationalism.

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