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OPTIONAL ENGLISH

Paper III - Indian Writing in English & Facets of Language
(CBCS Freshers Scheme)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Instructions to Candidates: Answer all the sections

SECTION - A

(Poetry)

- I. A) Answer any One of the following (1×15=15)
- i) How does the poet bring out the contrast between peace and perfection in the poem 'To a Buddha seated in a Lotus'?
 - ii) Nissim Ezykials poem 'Double Horror' is an out cry against corruption and materialism. Explain.
- B) Write a short note on any One of the following (1×5=5)
- i) The description of eunuchs in 'Dance of the Eunuchs'
 - ii) Symbol of water in Ramanujan poem.
 - iii) Colour in 'From Bombay Central'

SECTION - B

(Novel - The English Teacher)

- II. A) Answer any One of the following (1×15=15)
- i) Examine Krishnan's role as a teacher at Albert Mission College in the novel 'The English Teacher'.
 - ii) Susila is the backbone of Krishnan's happiness and purpose in life substantiate
- B) Write a short note on any One of the following (1×5=5)
- i) Krishnan as a father
 - ii) Dr. Shankar's Medical Hall
 - iii) House hunting episode

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SECTION - C

(Drama - Seven steps around the Fire)

- III. A) Answer any One of the following (1×15=15)
- i) 'Seven steps Around the Fire' highlights the socio-psychological problems related to the existence of eunuchs. Substantiate.
 - ii) Trace the events that lead to the death of subbu in the play
- B) Write a short note on any One of the following (1×5=5)
- i) Kamala
 - ii) Constable Muniswamy
 - iii) Anarkali

SECTION - D

(Essays & Short stories)

- IV. A) Answer any One of the following (1×15=15)
- i) How does the story 'The Tiger in the Tunnel' depict the courage and resilience as the necessary traits for survival in the jungles of India?
 - ii) At the Core of Moreas' writings, is a deep and reflective tone about the complex and enigmatic life of the tribes from chhote Danger. Examine this statement with reference to the essay 'Forest'.
- B) Write a short note on any One of the following (1×5=5)
- i) Baldeo's Courage in 'The Tiger in the Tunnel'
 - ii) Subha's father in Tagore's story
 - iii) Ayarkudi Ramanuja Lyengar's contribution to Carnatic music

SECTION - E

(Facets of Language)

- V. Answer all the questions
1. Define Coherence and Cohesion with examples. (3)
 2. Discuss any two grammatical devices with examples. (3)
 3. Define the aesthetic function with an example (2)
 4. Identify the lexical devices - repetition of root morphemes and collocation dusters in the following sentences and name them. (2)
 - a) Antidote counteracts poisoning and antibiotic inhibits the growth of micro-organisms.
 - b) We entered a richly decorated room.



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5. Identify the grammatical devices - synonymy, antonymy in the following sentences and name them. (3)

- a) The shape of the window is rectangular.
- b) He is a valiant officer but his assistant is a coward
- c) We had an amazing experience with some stunning moments

6. Substitute proper conjunctions and adverbials in the following sentences (2)

- a) There is no more food left _____ these are plenty of drinks
(however, therefore, until)
- b) The Principal _____ the teachers attended the Independence Day function
(even if, as though, as well as)

7. Read the following passage and answer the questions.

Pradeep: Good Morning sir

Traffic Constable: Good Morning. How can I help you?

Pradeep: Sir, I'm new to Bangalore. Could you tell me the way to M.G. Road?

Traffic Constable: You could go straight and then, no, let me tell you an easier route.

Pradeep: Sir, I need to get there in another 10 minutes.

Traffic Constable: All right then, take the immediate right till the next traffic junction and take the left from there. That's M.G. Road

Pradeep: Thank you sir

Identify examples of

- a) Phatic function (2)
 - b) Informational function (1)
 - c) Directive function (1)
 - d) Expressive function (1)
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