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II Semester B.A. Degree Examination, July/August - 2024**OPTIONAL ENGLISH****Indian Writing in English Part - II****(NEP Scheme Freshers/Repeaters)****Paper : 4 (DSC)****Time : 2 ½ Hours****Maximum Marks : 60****Instructions to Candidates:**

1. Answer all questions.
2. Mark the question numbers correctly.

SECTION - A**(Autobiography and Post - Independence Writers)****I. Write short notes on any TWO of the following:****(2×5=10)**

- a. The experiences of Partition and Displacement in 'Race of My Life'.
- b. Milka Singh's life in the army.
- c. Amitav Ghosh.
- d. Salman Rushdie.

SECTION - B**(Poetry)****II. A) Annotate any TWO of the following:****(2×5=10)**

- a. like mother
I hear faint morning song
(though here it sounds
Japanese)
and three clear strings
next door
through kitchen
clatter

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- b. All round me are words, and words and words,
They grow on me like leaves, they never
Seem to stop their slow growing
From within....
- c. A jungle bear has no need for your Gita.
My mother lived
for stick and grain, labour and babies;
for a rafter over her head,
rice, bread, a blanket;
to walk upright among equals.

III. B) Answer any ONE of the following:

(1×5=5)

- a. According to Kamala Das, words are like leaves which never seem to stop growing. Explain.
- b. Why does the poet compare the Vedic Sun with a Chicago bulb?
- c. Discuss why the poet uses images like a wild, jungle bear to describe his mother.

SECTION - C

(Short Story)

IV. Write short notes on any TWO of the following:

(2×5=10)

- a. Exploitation of tribal communities
- b. The preparations for the President's visit
- c. Santhals
- d. Jolha families

SECTION - D

(Drama)

V. A) Answer any ONE of the following:

(1×10=10)

- a. How does caste impact the life and relationships of the characters in the play?
- b. Describe Jyoti's life after her marriage with Arun.
- c. Why does Nath initially refuse to speak about Arun's autobiography? What happens after the speech?



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(1×5=5)

B) Write a short note on any ONE of the following:

- a. Significance of the character of Seva
- b. Caste conflict
- c. Arun's hypocrisy

SECTION - E

(Essay)

VI. Write a short note on any ONE of the following:

(1×5=5)

- a. Kalam as a scientist.
- b. Influences during Kalam's childhood.
- c. Kalam's memories of St Joseph's College, Trichy.

SECTION - F

(Film)

VII. Write a short note on any ONE of the following:

(1×5=5)

- a. Theme of independence in 'Rang de Basanti'.
 - b. Sue's motivation to travel to India and make a documentary.
 - c. The rich housewife's gift to Gulabi and its effect on Gulabi's life.
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