

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019
I Year I Semester
Indian Writing in English

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

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2. For whose death the poem 'Obituary' is written by A.K. Ramanujan?
3. 'The hand of a child of his struck him down'. Whom does Nehru refer to as child?
4. What are the ancient Indian epics mentioned by Amartya Sen?
5. Why was Rani celebrated as 'goddess'?
6. Who is Uma Rao?
7. What is the role of Om and Jaya?
8. Name the town in which the action of story of untouchable takes place.
9. Why is Kalyani punished by her husband?
10. What does Mohanlal do to prove his knowledge of English in 'Karma'?
11. What was the old woman demanding from the poet in Arun Kolatkar's 'An Old Woman'?
12. Who is the real murderer of Kamala(eunuch)?

Section B ($5 \times 5 = 25$) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

13. How does the poem 'Where the mind is without fear' invoke deep patriotic feeling?
14. How did Gandhiji accept poverty willingly?
15. What is plight of eunuch in the society as portrayed by Mahesh Dattani?
16. Theme of female identity in 'A Matter of Time'.
17. What is irony in the story 'The eyes are not here'?
18. Write a character sketch of Bakha.
19. What are the mythical elements that are portrayed in 'Nagamandala'?

Section C ($3 \times 10 = 30$) Marks

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. Narrate the tragic tale of Sita as portrayed in Toru Dutt's poem.
21. What are the recollections made by Rajaji in Jail companions?
22. "Harvest" beautifully portrays how family fall victim to flesh market and how machine world govern the human world. Elaborate.
23. What are the possible solutions to eradicate the caste system as mentioned in the novel 'Untouchable'?
24. R.K. Narayan humourously points out in 'Fifteen Years' that it is not possible to banish English from India. What are the reasons stated by him?

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