

**U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2021****ENGLISH  
[PROGRAMME]****Course Code : ENGP-CC-T-1**

Full Marks : 60

Time : 2½ 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.*1. Answer any **ten** of the following questions:

2×10=20

- i) How did Selvi react upon hearing the news of her mother's death?
- ii) On what occasion did Mohan call Selvi 'ungrateful wretch'?
- iii) Why did Mohan shut out all film offers of Selvi?
- iv) What would the speaker in "Our Casurina Tree" watch on winter mornings?
- v) "May Love defend thee from Oblivion's curse". Explain the phrase "Oblivion's Curse".
- vi) "O sweet companions, loved with love intense". Who are the "sweet companions"?

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- vii) "I speak three languages". Explain the context of the poet's statement on the languages.
- viii) "Belong, cried the categorizers". Who are the categorizers? What did they tell the speaker?
- ix) Explain: "I too call myself I".
- x) Explain the phrase "past the centres of their lives" as used in "Dawn at Puri".
- xi) "Their austere eyes/ stare like those caught in a net..." Whose eyes are being referred to here? Explain the point of comparison.
- xii) Explain the concluding remark on the wish of the speaker's mother in "Dawn at Puri".
- xiii) Explain the phrase "erring woman's unpitied woes".
- xiv) "Such is the guerdon of the brave!" What does 'guerdon' mean? Who is the brave being referred to in the quoted phrase?

2. Answer any **four** of the following questions:

5×4=20

- i) Why is Mohan called a 'financial expert' in the story "Selvi"?
- ii) Write a short note on the use of memory in "Our Casurina Tree".

- iii) Write a short note on words and phrases which define a typical woman in “An Introduction”.
- iv) Describe the circumstances that made the girl an orphan in “The Orphan Girl”.
- v) Critically comment on the concluding section of “An Introduction”
- vi) After the Toru Dutt, describe the casurina tree in sunrise.

3. Answer any **two** of the following questions:

10×2=20

- i) After Nirad Chandra Chaurdhuri describe the three occasions which change the calm nature of life at Kishorganj.
- ii) How does the author of “My Birthplace” differentiate between Hindu and Muslim festivals at Kishorganj? Accordingly, how does he describe the three movements of the Eid festival?
- iii) With textual reference discuss how *The Post Office* represents two opposing world views.
- iv) Write an essay on the symbolic nature of *The Post Office*.

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