



QP – 043

V Semester B.A. Examination, March/April 2022
(F+R) (CBCS) (2013-14 and Onwards)
OPTIONAL ENGLISH – V

Literatures of India : An Introduction

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

- Instructions :** i) Answer **all** the questions.
ii) Write the question numbers **correctly**.

SECTION – A
(Poetry)

- I. A) Answer **any one** of the following. 15
- 1) How does Kalidas describe the arrival of the rains using effective imagery ?
 - 2) Mahapatra's *Father* establishes the conflict in beliefs of the poet-persona and his father. Discuss with reference to the text.
- B) Write a short note on **any one** of the following. 5
- 1) Basavanna's concept of Purity of the mind and body.
 - 2) Pant's visualisation of nature in *Fruits of the Earth*.
 - 3) Socialism depicted in Kuvempu's *Kalki*.

SECTION – B
(Short Fiction)

- II. A) Answer **any one** of the following. 15
- 1) The Game of chess becomes a symbol of the nobles' divorce from reality into an escape into a world of make belief. Elaborate with reference to Premchand's *The Chess Players*.
 - 2) Describe Sunderlal's attitude towards Lajwanti after her rescue and her dejection thereof.
- B) Write short notes on **any one** of the following. 5
- 1) The significance of the 'Queens' in *The Chess Players*.
 - 2) Tatri's husband.
 - 3) Relationship between Lajwanti and Sunderlal.

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SECTION – C

(Essay)

- III. A) Answer **any one** of the following. 15
- 1) How does the Tagore's essay, explore his symbolism of the forest ?
 - 2) How does Ramanujan distinguish between four different ways of interpreting the Indian way of thinking ?
- B) Write short notes on **any one** of the following. 5
- 1) Forest Hermitage in Tagore's essay.
 - 2) Western prejudice in perceiving Indian thinking.
 - 3) India as a context-sensitive society.

SECTION – D

(Novel-Untouchable)

- IV. A) Answer **any one** of the following. 15
- 1) How does Mulk Raj Anand's novel portray the discrimination faced by the outcasts in Pre-independence India ?
 - 2) What is the culmination of Bakha's experiences at the end of the day in the novel *Untouchable* ?
- B) Write short notes on **any one** of the following. 5
- 1) Lakha
 - 2) Bakha's sense of dressing
 - 3) Ram Charan.

SECTION – E

(Drama – Tughlaq)

- V. A) Answer **any one** of the following. 15
- 1) How does the play explore the failed alliance of religion and politics of an idealistic king ?
 - 2) How does Aziz successfully exploit all of Sultan's policies ?
- B) Answer **any one** of the following. 5
- 1) The Chess Symbol/Ghiyasuddin Abbasid
 - 2) Barani
 - 3) Ain-ul-mulk.