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FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023

(CBCSS)

English

ENG 1C 04—INDIAN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

- I. Annotate any *four* of the following :
 - 1 Immobile, tense and grey

he taught us patience as

he waited for the dark

2 The strong man's technique is

Always the same, he serves his love in lethal doses

- 3 I wept in vain, i wailed, i walked on myhead, i went to god.
- 4 This is my short

incantation,

my long way home.

5 And he left us

a changed mother

and more than

one annual ritual

6 To be no part of this hate is deprivation

7 But where is the King's castle, the mine of gold.

the secret book of magic,

the sage who knows love's utter wisdom?

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$ Turn over

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- II. Write short essays of 200 words on any *four* of the following :
 - 8 Critically evaluate the ending of the novel "The Guide".
 - 9 Write a note on the representation of women in Dattani's play Tara.
 - 10 Critically evaluate the representation of the ordinariness of human life in Nissim Ezekiel's poetry.
 - 11 What are the major arguments of Jawaharlal Nehru in his essay "What is Culture"?
 - 12 The theme of failure and frustration in the poem "The Old Playhouse".
 - 13 Examine the autobiographical elements in the poem "our Casuarina Tree".
 - 14 How does Meena Kandasamy represent the plight of the Dalit women in her poem "Dead Woman walking" ?

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

- III. Write essays of 400 words on any two of the following :
 - 15 Critically examine the common themes discussed in the poems prescribed for your study. Do you think that modern Indian poetry addresses the pressing issues of the nation ?
 - 16 Critically evaluate Amartya Sen's idea of the relation between reason and identity.
 - 17 Would you consider Girish Karnad's rereading of the myths as an effective means of dealing with contemporary issues ?
 - 18 Examine the social realist elements in Mulk Raj Anand's Coolie.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ weightage})$