# M. A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021 [ 2020 Admissions Improvement & Supplementary ] SEMESTER L. CORE COURSE ( ENGLISH )

# SEMESTER I - CORE COURSE ( ENGLISH ) EN1C05TM20 - INDIAN ENGLISH LITERATURE

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Weight: 30

#### Part A

### I. Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 1 weight

(8x1=8)

- 1. How has modernization influenced the Indian way of thinking?
- 2. How does Ramanujan illustrate that there is no concept of the universal in India?
- Discuss the power of women as described by Sujatha Bhatt in "Muliebrity".
- Explain the significance of the poem "Thought the Paraclete".
- 5. Analyse Manjula Padmanabhan's *Harvest* as a futuristic play.
- 6. Comment on the significance of the 'human wall' in the play Ghashiram Kotwal.
- 7. Discuss the significance of the title *The Hungry Tide*.
- 8. Analyse Rahel's pivotal role in The God of Small Things.
- 9. Water is the central metaphor of Sara Joseph's novel. Discuss briefly.
- 10. Discuss briefly the significance of storytelling in the Gift in Green.

#### Part B

# II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 2 weight

(6x2=12)

- 11. Discuss the bilingualism evident in the early Indian English novelists as they negotiated private and public domains.
- 12. What according to Gauri Viswanathan were the unintended consequences of the introduction of English Studies in India?
- 13. Discuss the creativity of the poet Sarojini Naidu.
- 14. Explain the journey of the soul in "Thought the Paraclete".
- 15. Discuss Manjula Padmanabhan's play *Harvest* as a true reflection of the tendencies of the globalization phenomenon.
- 16. Comment on the significance of the title Harvest.
- 17. Comment on the subaltern resistance in *The Hungry Tide*.
- 18. Discuss the significance of the word "samskara" in Ananthamurthy's novel.

#### Part C

# III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

(2x5=10)

- 19. Write a critical appreciation of the poem "Honour".
- 20. Attempt an essay discussing the play of power in Ghashiram Kotwal.
- 21. Analyse and comment on the narrative techniques employed by Rushdie in *Midnight's Children*.
- 22. Bankim Chandra Chaterjee was a conservative Indian with close contact to the western ideas of the nineteenth century. Elucidate.