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B. A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2023

(2015, 2016 and 2017 Admissions Supplementary)

SEMESTER VI - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE)

EN6B03B - COMPARATIVE LITERATURE AND CULTURAL STUDIES

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

I. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark

(6x1=6)

- 1. What are Source and Target Languages?
- 2. What is meant by 'oral literature'?
- 3. Which are the great epics that mention the name of "Dwaraka"?
- 4. What does the term "gitanjali" mean?
- 5. What is Naidoo's explanation for marrying a Kaffiri woman?
- 6. What is the significance of the title Akale?

Part B

II. Answer any Seven questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(7x2=14)

- 7. Define Comparative Literature.
- 8. What is the two-fold approach to the study of comparative literature in the Indian context?
- 9. Differentiate between literary history and comparative literary history.
- 10. How does biculturalism affect linguistics?
- 11. How did nature prepare for the arrival of the divine child?
- 12. Why does the speaker in "On Alien Soil" feel distress and remorse?
- 13. Why is Buddha called the Light of Asia?
- 14. How was the meaning of the dream in Light of Asia interpreted?
- 15. Is there any suggestion in the story "Dwaraka" of it being a dream?
- 16. Why according to Tagore is man divided between this world and the world of the divine.

Part C

III. Answer any Five questions. Each question carries 6 marks

(5x6=30)

- 17. Write a note on literary stylistics.
- 18. How does literary influence work in the Indian context?
- 19. Discuss briefly the various senses in which Welleck and Warren used the term comparative literature.
- 20. Is Gitanjali a religious poem? Justify your answer.
- 21. What are the elements of Literature of the Fantastic?
- 22. What was the diving equipment like?
- 23. Analyse the representation of women in the Twilight Series.
- 24. Comment on the intellectual context of the story Dwaraka.

Part D

IV. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

- 25. Describe the multiple approach necessary to analyse linguistic influence.
- 26. Substantiate how Light of Asia becomes an epic on the life of Gauthama Buddha.
- 27. How does the narrative technique add to the effectiveness of the play The Glass Menagerie?
- 28. How does Tagore establish a strong relationship between man and god at a time when the Western poets believed in a Godless world?