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U.G.DEGREE EXAMINATION – GENERAL ENGLISH

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2017

EL 1055 - ENGLISH THROUGH INDIAN REFLECTIVE WRITINGS

Date: 03-11-2017
Time: 01:00-04:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

SECTION – A

I Answer any TEN of the following in about 50 words each:

(10x3=30)

- 1. How does the postmaster drive away his loneliness in the village?*
- 2. Consider Arjun tree as a symbol.*
- 3. What is the purpose of the lady's visit to the town in Gifts?*
- 4. How does the girl in the kitchen react on hearing the sound of the airplane?*
- 5. Bring out the significance of the Kitchen in the Indian context.*
- 6. How is man's life different from that of Nature's? Explain.*
- 7. Why is the tailor disappointed with the author?*
- 8. What is the tailor's opinion about young servants?*
- 9. What is Gandhi's expectation of a woman?*
- 10. Explain 'Superweeds'.*
- 11. Why does the author feel that the monk appeared a bit out of place among the celebrities?*
- 12. Comment on the social background against which the story Another Community is set.*

SECTION – B

II Answer any FIVE of the following in about 100 words each:

(5x5=25)

- 13. How does Kamala Das feel nostalgic about her native place in the poem Hot Noon in Malabar?*
- 14. Describe the treatment meted out to the national bird.*
- 15. Who, according to Gandhi, is the nobler of the two, man or woman? Why?*
- 16. Write a character sketch of Prince Abhijit.*
- 17. Describe Ved Mehta's visit to Hardwar.*
- 18. Why does the author say that the Tibetans have a talent for survival? Give reasons.*
- 19. Describe how Ratan took care of the postmaster when he fell ill.*
- 20. Assess critically Ezekiel's views on the Indian urban culture?*

SECTION – C

III Answer the following in about 250 words each:

(3x15=45)

21. a) *How did the fears of the hero in Another Community come true? Discuss.*

(OR)

b) Why does the author call the benefit dinner as “commodification of one’s own suffering”? Explain.

22. a) What is the human body compared to in the poem *Is This the End?* Explain the comparisons.

(OR)

b) How does Vaidehi portray the problems of an Indian woman in the poem *Girl in the Kitchen?* Discuss.

23. (a) List down the causes for water scarcity in the cities and suggest solutions.

(OR)

(b) *Write an essay on the problems of Indian agriculture and farming and solutions.*

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