



P-III (1+1+1)G/13

2013

ELECTIVE ENGLISH (General)

Seventh Paper

Full Marks : 100

Time : Three Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions :

15×1=15

- (a) In "Our Casurina Tree" we get a romantic protest against transience — Discuss.
- (b) "Africa" draws a contrast between primitivism and civilization — Discuss.
- (c) Examine Kamala Das' handling of imagery in her poetry with special reference to the poems prescribed in your syllabus.
- (d) Discuss "Boat Ride along the Ganga" as a journey poem.

2. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

5×2=10

- (a) How does Toru Dutt relate the tree with the memories of her lost brother and sister ?
- (b) Briefly comment on the ending of Tagore's "Africa".

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- (c) Does Tagore idealize Africa in the poem ? Explain.
- (d) Why does the poet say "Dante would have been confused here" ?
- (e) "Blessed be its incarnadined glory"— comment.
3. Answer any *one* of the following : $20 \times 1 = 20$
- (a) Critically comment on Kamad's use of myth and folk-lore in "Nagamandala".
- (b) Can Naga and Appana be regarded as two faces of one man ? Substantiate your answer.
- (c) Comment on Tendulkar's portrayal of violence in "Ghashiram Kotwal".
- (d) Bring out the appropriateness of the title "Ghashiram Kotwal".
4. Answer any *one* of the following questions : $5 \times 1 = 5$
- (a) What dramatic purpose is served by the human curtain in "Ghashiram Kotwal" ?
- (b) Describe briefly the role of the Sutradhar in "Ghashiram Kotwal".
- (c) How does Naga fall in love with Rani ?
- (d) Critically comment on the role played by village elders in "Nagamandala".

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5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : $20 \times 1 = 20$
- (a) Bring out the significance of the Simla episode.
- (b) Trace Monoo's journey from innocence to experience in the novel "Coolie".
- (c) Discuss "He who Rides a Tiger" as a critique of contemporary social economic and political situations.
- (d) Evaluate "He who Rides a Tiger" as a novel of protest.
6. Develop the following into a story : 15
- It was my birthday. Father had gone out shopping. Mother phoned him twice to order for this or that. But on her third attempt the cell rang unattended.
7. Answer any *one* of the following questions : $15 \times 1 = 15$
- (a) Write a short essay on the characteristics of lyric.
- (b) What are the hallmarks of an ideal short story ?