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# M A DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, JULY 2021 Fourth Semester

Faculty of Language and Literature

#### **CORE - EN010402 - POST COLONIAL POETRY**

M A ENGLISH,M A ENGLISH (SF) 2019 Admission Onwards 93FE2A8C

Time: 3 Hours Weightage: 30

### **Part A (Short Answer Questions)**

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. What are the reasons for the postcolonial studies being unereceptive to the genre of poetry?
- 2. Why is there a subtle connection between the language of material necessity and the language of lyrical emotion, according to Kaviraj?
- 3. What does Gooneratne tell about the heritage of oriental poetry?
- 4. How does Wright use biblical characters to represent European imperialism?
- 5. How does Ashrawi evoke the images of horror and cruelty of war?
- 6. Simin Behbahani begins and ends her poem with the words "And behold the camel". Trace the trajectory of irony and paradox through this expression.
- 7. Give instances of revolutionary undertones in Iman Mersal's "Sometimes Wisdom Possesses Me".
- 8. Why does the poet refer to sleep as 'bitter' in "Guardian Shadow"?
- 9. How does "poem take being" in the poet as explained in the poem "The Poet"?
- 10. Why does the poet bear the moments of horrible bitterness as described in Jose Silva's "Sonnet"?

 $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ weightage})$ 

#### Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

- 11. Modernity reconstitutes both individual and collective identities. Explain.
- 12. Discuss the theme of exile and home in "I See Kashmir from New Delhi at Midnight" .



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- 13. Comment on the significance of the repetition of the phrase "We Sinful Women".
- 14. How does Gulten Akin's poem demonstrate feminine sensibility?
- 15. Describe how "Written in Stratford-upon-Avon" addresses postcolonial concerns.
- 16. Analyse how the concept of marginality is explored in the poem "Liquid Frontier".
- 17. How is the indvidual experience of love transformed into a collective celebration in the poem "I Want You To Know"?
- 18. Migration becomes an aggressive act in Louise Bennett's "Colonisation in Reverse". Explain.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

## Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions. Weight **5** each.

- 19. Evaluate "Can't I have a homeland to call my own?" as a revolt against the construction of female identity by a patriarchal society.
- 20. Highlight the element of underlying menace in "Hovering at a Low Altitude".
- 21. Evaluate the political stand of Chinua Achebe in the poem "Vultures".
- 22. Bring out the theme of exile in the poem "Little Stones at My Window".

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

