

2017

M.A.

3rd Semester Examination

ENGLISH

COURSE – ENG – 304

(Introduction to Critical Theory and Cultural Studies)

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any two of the following : 14 x 2

(a) (i) How is Post-modernism different from Modernism?

OR

(ii) What are the characteristic features of Post-colonialism?

(b) (i) What are the views advocated by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar for the removal of 'untouchability' from the contemporary Indian society?

OR

(ii) How does dalit poetry serve its radical function through the 'authentic representation of the dalit reality'? Answer with reference to the poems you have read.

(c) (i) Describe the problem of survival in Raju's life as represented in Shyamal Pramanik's dalit short story, 'Survival'.

OR

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(Turn Over)

(ii) Anil Ghorai's 'Reincarnation of Parashuram' is a parody of the Indian myth of Parashuram killing his mother Renuka. Discuss.

2. Comment on the following :

4 x 3

(a) (i) Concept of 'diaspora'.

OR

(ii) The term, 'subaltern'.

(b) (i) Ambedkar's allusion to the killing of a snake.

OR

(ii) "To break the chains of class and caste/ Hold to the name of Bhim'.

(c) (i) Raju's life of childhood in Bihar.

OR

(ii) "In fact, she did not resemble human being at all'.

(Internal Assessment-10)

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