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THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

(CUCSS - PG)

CC15P EN3 E15 - POSTCOLONIAL FICTION AND DRAMA

(English Language and Literature)

(2015 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

- I. Answer *all* questions. Each question carries ½ weightage.
 - 1. Who is described as a tall figure with a Victorian outfit in *The Road*?
 - 2. Which were the two things that spoilt Obika?
 - 3. What does John in *The Golden Gate* seek consolation from?
 - 4. To which of Reaney's plays was *The Canadian Brothers* a sequel?
 - 5. What is Hayavadana, the character, a symbol of?
 - 6. What is the profession of Roo and Barney in Summer of the Seventeenth Doll?
 - 7. Mention the setting of *Mimic Men*.
 - 8. To which community does Hassan in *The Kite Runner* belong?

 $(8 \times 1/2 = 4 \text{ Weightage})$

- II. Answer any six questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.
 - 9. Imagery in *The Stone Angel*.
 - 10. Ezeulu and the Feast of the New Yam in *The Arrow of God*.
 - 11. Nostalgic childhood in *The Kite Runner*.
 - 12. The folk element in *Hayavadana*.
 - 13. Depiction of women in Summer of the Seventeenth Doll.
 - 14. Ralph Singh as a displaced individual.
 - 15. The significance of melodrama in Reaney's Canadian Brothers.
 - 16. Indian intellectuals in *The Golden Gate*.
 - 17. Quest and death in *The Road*.
 - 18. Devadatta's adventures with his new body in *Hayavodana*.

(6 x 2=12 Weightage)

III. Answer any *four* choosing one from each section. Each question carries 5 weightage.

Section A

19. To what extent does Ezeulu represent Igbo culture in Arrow of God?

- 20. How is the question of self knowledge and truth invoked in *The Stone Angel* by Laurence?
- 21. "Naipaul has tapped experiences and constructed fictions that define aspects of the colonial and post colonial world." Examine with reference to *The Mimic Men*.

Section B

- 22. Comment on the element of satire in *The Golden Gate*.
- 23. Examine the psychological dimensions of the tension- ridden friendship between Amir and Hassan in *The Kite Runner*.
- 24. Discuss on the innovative techniques used by Reaney in *The Canadian Brothers*.

Section C

- 25. "Girish Karnad's play *Hayavadana* reflects India's colonial heritage, offering a mix of Western and Indian theatrical traditions". Discuss.
- 26. Consider how satire combines with the absurd in Soyinka's *The Road*.
- 27. Can Lawler's *Summer of the Seventeenth Doll* be considered to be a realistic depiction of Australian bush life?

Section D

- 28. Postcolonial drama employs elements of fantasy to address reality: Discuss.
- 29. Examine the way in which the quest for a new postcolonial identity becomes a major concern of many novelists.
- 30. Representation of women in postcolonial fiction and drama.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ Weightage})$
