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THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

(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 in a word, phrase or sentence:

- 1. Who is the Chief Priest of Ulu?
- 2. *The Stone Angel* is set in _____.
- 3. Name the ethnic communities that the two boys, Amir and Hassan represent, in *The Kite Runner*.
- 4. Who is Sohrab?
- 5. _____ is the Yoruba's God of Iron.
- 6. Who is the personal servant to Professor in *The Road?*
- 7. What is the subtitle of the play, *The Canadian Brothers*?
- 8. Who is mentioned as 'the apple of every eye in Dharmapura'?

 $(8 \text{ x} \frac{1}{2} = 4 \text{ Weightage})$

II. Write a paragraph of about 150 words each on any six of the following:

- 9. Role of Christianity in Arrow of God.
- 10. The crisis of identity in Naipaul's The Mimic Men.
- 11. Symbolism in The Stone Angel.
- 12. Character sketch of Hassan in The Kite Runner.
- 13. Professor in The Road.
- 14. Ending of The Summer of the Seventeenth Doll.
- 15. Regional culture in The Canadian Brothers.
- 16. Significance of the journey to Ujjain in Hayavadana.
- 17. Conclusion of Hayavadana.
- 18. Socio-political situation in The Golden Gate.

(6 x 2 = 12 Weightage)

III. Write essays of about 450 words on any *four* of the following, choosing one from each section:

Section A

- 19. The colonial encounters and power structure in Arrow of God.
- 20. The narrative technique in The Golden Gate.
- 21. Theme of pride in The Stone Angel.

Section B

- 22. Amir's feeling of insecurity in The Kite Runner.
- 23. Diasporic concerns and expatriate sensibility in The Mimic Men.
- 24. Structural innovations in The Canadian Brothers.

Section C

- 25. Significance of the title of the play Summer of the Seventeenth Doll.
- 26. The Road as a satire on Nigerian politics.
- 27. Hayavadana is about the quest for perfection and its complexities. Discuss.

Section D

- 28. Explain how the postcolonial writers have portrayed the native/ethnic culture in their works, with special reference to Achebe and Soyinka.
- 29. Postcolonial drama employs elements of fantasy to address reality. Discuss.
- 30. Search for identity as a dominant theme in Postcolonial works, with reference to any two prescribed works.

(4 x 5 = 20 Weightage)
