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### THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016

(CUCSS - PG)

## (English Language and Literature) CC15P EN3 E15 - Postcolonial Fiction and Drama

(2015 Admission)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 36 Weightage

### I. Answer all the following questions in a word, phrase, or sentence:

- 1. Name the texts that inspired the plot of Girish Karnad's Hayavadana.
- 2. Who is Ulu in Arrow of God?
- 3. Why did the boys try to beat up Amir in *The Kite Runner*?
- 4. What is the meter that Vikram Seth uses in his novel, The Golden Gate?
- 5. Whom does Emma refer to in these words, "a packet of trouble but he's honest".
- 6. What is Ralph Singh's dilemma in The Mimic Men.
- 7. Who is the first African writer to be awarded a Nobel Prize in Literature?
- 8. Name the fictional town where Margaret Laurence's novels are set in.

(8x1/2=4 Weightage)

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

- 9. Attempt a short note on John Brown's relationship with Charlemagne in *The Golden Gate*.
- 10. Analyse the lamb motif in The Kite Runner.
- 11. Discuss The Canadian Brothers as a postcolonial text.
- 12. Analyse the relationship of Ezeulu and Oduche in Arrow of God.
- 13. Attempt a character sketch of the Professor in The Road.
- 14. Attempt a short note on existentialism in Hayavadana.
- 15. Discuss the image of the fallen angel in Margaret Laurence's The Stone Angel.
- 16. Attempt a short note on identity crisis in The Mimic Men.
- 17. Analyze the notions of guilt and atonement in Khalid Hosseini's The Kite Runner.
- 18. What is the significance of the candy stick dolls in Summer of the Seventeenth Doll?

(6x2=12 Weightage)

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

### Section A

- 19. How do their country's political events interfere with Amir and Sohrab's friendship in Hosseini's *The Kite Runner*?
- 20. Attempt an essay on the Igbo cultural identity in Chinua Achebe's Arrow of God.
- 21. Discuss The Stone Angel as a feminist novel.

### Section B

- 22. Discuss the notion of death in Wole Soyinka's The Road.
- 23. Analyze the poetic techniques employed by Vikram Seth in The Golden Gate.
- 24. Attempt an essay on colonial parody in *The Mimic Men*.

### Section C

- 25. Attempt a critique on Ray Lawler's use of language in Summer of the Seventeenth Doll.
- 26. Analyze the narrative style in The Canadian Brothers.
- 27. Attempt an essay on myth and folklore in Girish Karnad's Hayavadana.

### Section D

- 28. Discuss the use of language as a tool of resistance in the postcolonial reality basing your observations on any of the prescribed texts.
- 29. Attempt an essay on how experimentation in narrative techniques helps in enhancing the postcoloniality of any of the prescribed texts.
- 30. Analyze the corrosive effects of postcolonialism on native culture, choosing a representative text from your syllabus to support your argument.

(4x5=20 Weightage)

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