U.G. 2nd Semester Examination - 2021

ENGLISH

[HONOURS]

Course Code: ENG-H-CC-T-3

Full Marks: 30

Time : $1\frac{1}{2}$ Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

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

1. Answer any **five** questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

- a) What was 'the day's motif' in New Delhi?
- b) Mention any one event that exposes the cultural conservatism of the narrator in 'The Free Radio'.
- c) Whose voice is marked by 'a note of hysteria'?What does it indicate?
- d) What is meant by 'an eerie speech'?
- e) 'Now these hills have grown on me'. What does this remark imply?
- f) 'A shadow falls on us and grows'. Refer to the context of the remark

- g) What does Robin S. Ngangom mean by the final acknowledgment of death?
- h) 'I am sinner, I am saint'. Is it a paradoxical situation?
- 2. Answer any **two** questions:

 $5\times2=10$

- a) Assess the relevance of the words and phrases conveying a sense of brutality in an account of a pilgrim's journey in Arun Kolatkar's poem.
- b) What does the skull signify in 'Dawn at Puri'?
- c) Would you like to interpret 'the hungry haste of rivers' and 'the oceans' tireless waiting' as expressions of gender constancy?
- d) What does the act of snoring imply in the end of 'The Intrusion'?
- e) 'Rather, it was a sense of something loose, of a mooring coming united somewhat within'. Explain.
- 3. Answer any **one** question:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

a) 'Anita Desai's comedy turns inexorably black, as inexorably as Deven is drawn to the vortex of the poet's world'. Discuss.

- b) Evaluate *Hayavadana* as a 'theater production in an India oscillating between its colonial past and its new independence within the framework of an over-arching tradition'.
- c) Write a note on the use of the concepts and elements of folk theatre forms in *Hayavadana*.
