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FIFTH SEMESTER (CBCSS-UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022

English

ENG 5B 10—INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

- I. Answer the following questions in two *or* three sentences : (2 marks each) :
 - 1 How does the narrator deal with abandonment in "You Left Me ?"
 - 2 What tragedy is encapsulated in the title "The Country without a Post Office."
 - 3 Exploitation of gullible minds in "An Astrologer's Day."
 - 4 Alliteration in "Where the Mind is Without Fear."
 - 5 What effects Mr.Kapasi's change of attitude to Mrs.Das at the end of the story ?
 - 6 The wake up call in "The Coromandel Fishers".
 - 7 How does the poet describe the "Old Woman ?"
 - 8 How does Das explain the eccentricities of her language?
 - 9 The Secular Man in Midnight's Children.
 - 10 How does Yavakri treat Visakha?
 - 11 Bobby in "Interpreter of Maladies".
 - 12 How does Ambedkar differentiate between Brahmins and Samurais?
 - 13 Lentina's unusual decision.
 - 14 Why have historians vilified the French National Assembly?
 - 15 Why does Ambedkar describe caste Hindus of Mahad as "reasonable ?"

(Ceiling 25 marks)

- II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph (5 marks each) :
 - 16 Self-mockery in "You Left Me."
 - 17 Caste hierarchy in The Fire and the Rain.

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- 18 How are ordinary people affected by the turmoils in Kashmir ? Explain with reference to "The Country Without a Post Office."
- 19 Comment on the narrative art of *Charulata*.
- 20 Love and loss in "Interpreter of Maladies".
- 21 How does Ambedkar demonstrate the contradictions in the ways of the Caste Hindus ?
- 22 How does Rushdie comment on the diverse nature of the Indian writer in England ?
- 23 Death and immortality in "Laburnum for My Head".

(Ceiling 35 marks)

- III. Answer any *two* out the four questions in an essay :
 - 24 How do Vishakha and Nittilai become victims of the ambitions and manipulations of the men?
 - 25 Attempt a postcolonial feminist reading of "An Introduction."
 - 26 The importance of the French National Assembly.
 - 27 Rushdie's view about the Indian writer and his heritage.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$