

2019

PG

4th Semester Examination

ENGLISH

Paper - ENG 403

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

1. Answer any *two* questions : $2 \times 14 = 28$

(a) Critically examine the use of images and symbols in 'Our Casuarina Tree'.

Or

(b) Would you like to consider Kamala Das as a feminist poet ? Discuss with reference to any two poems you have read.

Or

[Turn Over]

- (c) Can 'Background, Casually' be read as a 'verse autobiography' ? Discuss.
- (d) How does A. K. Ramanujan demonstrate the manifestation of Life Force in 'Foundlings in the Yukon ?' Discuss.

Or

- (e) Do religious signifiers play an important role in Mahapatra's poems ? Justify your answer with suitable textual evidence.

Or

- (f) Comment on Kolatkar's use of imagery in the poems you have read.
- (g) Critically analyse the role of Padmini in *Hayavadana*.

Or

- (h) Critically evaluate Tendulkar's presentation of psychological and sociological implications of caste and gender in his play *Kanyadaan*.

2. Comment on any *three* of the following : 3×4=12

- (a) "Her life is a revolving dream

Of languid and sequestered ease."

Or

(b) "I shall build walls with tears
She said, walls to shut me in."

(c) Yudhisthira's dog in Kolatkar's poem.

Or

(d) "With paper boats boys tickle her ribs."

(e) The two actors in *Hayavadana*.

Or

(f) "At times a fire blazes — I want to set fire to
the whole world, strangle throats, rape and kill."

[Internal Assessment : 10 marks]
