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Semester IV
Subject: ENGLISH (CCAIE)
Paper: ENG-404
(Theory)

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2HRS.

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

Answer any one question from following questions:

1. "Dalit autobiography doesn't talk about the self but community." Critically evaluate this claim in the light of Omprakash Valmiki's *Joothan*.
2. Comment on the title of Omprakash Valmiki's *Joothan*.
3. How does Omprakash Valmiki represent the theme of Dalit solidarity in *Joothan*?
4. Comment on the context and significance of the classical allusions in *Dr. Ambedkar's Speech at Mahad*.
5. How did Dr. Ambedkar illustrate the theme of untouchability through his speech at Mahad?
6. Comment on the caste system of India as the main cause of social discrimination with reference to *Dr. Ambedkar's Speech at Mahad*.
7. Comment on the representation of Dalit consciousness in modern Marathi Dalit poetry.
8. What are some of the characteristic features of modern Marathi Dalit poetry? Discuss with reference to the poems you have read.
9. Write about some of the important themes found in Marathi Dalit poetry. Discuss with reference to the poems you have read.
10. Do you think Kapil Krishna Thakur's "The Other Jew" depicts the double victimisation of the Bengali refugees? Justify your answer.
11. Shyamal Kumar Pramanik's "Survival" is a Dalit story about the fierce struggle for survival. Discuss.
12. Briefly discuss how Dalit narratives are conditioned by Dalit consciousness and Dalit experience in the light of Kapil Krishna Thakur's "The Other Jew" and Shyamal Kumar Pramanik's "Survival".