2022

M.A.

## 4th Semester Examination (CCAE)

## **ENGLISH**

PAPER—ENG-403A

## INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH (POETRY & DRAMA)

Full Marks: 50

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.

2×8

(a) Examine Kamala Das as a "confessional" poet with reference to the poems you have read.

- (b) Bring out the significance of the title of Jayanta Mahapatra's poem "Hunger".
- (c) Write an essay on the character of Padmini in Hayavadana.
- (d) Critically estimate Tendulkar's art of characterization in Kanyadan with special reference to Nath Devlalikar.
- 2. Comment on any four questions. 4x4
  - (a) The use of rain imagery in the poem, "The Night of the Scorpion".
  - (b) The theme of nostalgia in "Our Casuarina Tree".
  - (c) "The poets only sang of the floods".
  - (d) The concept of alienation in the poems from Exile.

- (e) "As the heavenly Kalpa Vriksha is supreme among trees, so is the head among the limbs".
- (f) Arun's claustrophobia in big houses.
- 3. Answer any four questions.

4×2

- (a) Explain the meaning of the line: "home is where we have to gather grace".
- (b) "Children play on the back of the twenty foot tortoise." — Explain the image of the 'tortoise'.
- (c) Briefly comment on the 'playhouse' metaphor in the poem, "The Old Playhouse".
  - (d) Who was Hayavadana's mother? Whom did she marry?
  - (e) Why does Hayavadana sing the national anthem?

(f) What was Nath's first impression after reading Arun's autobiography?

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]