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**Sixth Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S.-OBE – Regular/Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, April 2024**

**(2019 to 2021 Admissions)**

**CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH**

**6B14 ENG : Indian Writing in English**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Write an essay in **250** words on **one** of the following : **(1×8=8)**

- 1) How does Mehrotra trace the history of Indian writing in English in the 19<sup>th</sup> century ?
- 2) Discuss Paranjpe's perception of Indian Novel.

II. Write an essay in **250** words on **one** of the following : **(1×8=8)**

- 3) Role of women characters in Amitav Ghosh's *The Shadow Lines*,
- 4) Analyse the portrayal of gender roles in the play "Nagamandala".

III. Answer **four** of the following in about **100** words. **(4×4=16)**

- 5) What are the major forms of Sanskrit drama discussed in "The Old Indian Theatre" ?
- 6) The relationship between Kesri and his father in "Of White Hairs and Cricket".
- 7) How does the poem "Frog and the Nightingale" portray the contrasting characters of the Frog and the Nightingale ?
- 8) To what ideal state the poet wants his country to be led in Song 35 of *Gitanjali* ?

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9) The role of the chorus in the play "Nagamandala".

10) Elucidate the theme of the poem "Ghanashyam".

IV. Answer **eight** of the following in **not** more than **two** sentences.

**(8×1=8)**

11) How does the poem "Where Do You Come From" explore themes of displacement and identity ?

12) Why does Derozio wish to sing about India's past greatness ?

13) How was Chandu Menon honoured by Queen Victoria ?

14) Who is the speaker of the poem "Ghanashyam" ?

15) What is the symbolic significance of Shadow Lines in Amitav Ghosh's work ?

16) What do the symbols of the anthill and the temple represent in "Nagamandala" ?

17) What are the main themes of the poem "Exile" ?

18) What does the frog learn from the nightingale's Death ?

19) What do the poets wait for in "Poet, Lover, Birdwatcher" ?

20) What is the significance of the cricket matches in the story "Of White Hairs and Cricket" ?

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**VI Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – OBE-Regular/Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, April 2023  
(2019 and 2020 Admissions)  
CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH  
6B14 ENG : Indian Writing in English**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

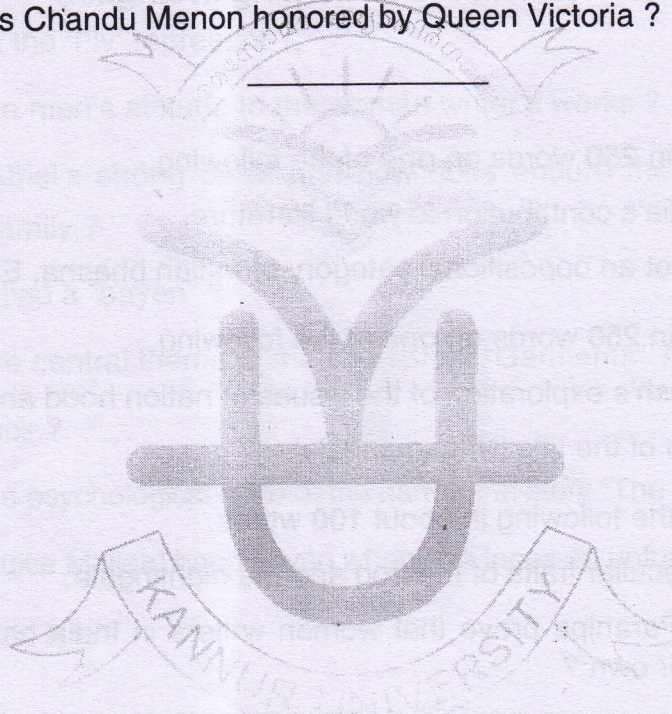
- I. Write an essay in **250** words on **one** of the following. **(1×8=8)**
- 1) Discuss India's contribution to world literature.
  - 2) English is not an oppositional category of Indian bhasha. Elaborate.
- II. Write an essay in **250** words on **one** of the following. **(1×8=8)**
- 3) Amitav Ghosh's exploration of the issues of nation hood and diaspora.
  - 4) Significance of the title 'Nagamandala'.
- III. Answer **four** of the following in about **100** words. **(4×4=16)**
- 5) Enlist the peculiar traits of the frog and the nightingale.
  - 6) How does Paranjpe prove that women writers in India have created a niche of their own ?
  - 7) What is the poet's prayer in song 36 of Gitanjali ?
  - 8) What are the major differences in Greek and Sanskrit plays as noted in The Old Indian Theatre ?
  - 9) Elucidate the theme of the poem "Poet, Lover and Bird Watcher".
  - 10) Symbolic significance of white hair in Of White Hairs and Cricket.
- IV. Answer **eight** of the following in **not** more than **two** sentences. **(8×1=8)**
- 11) What does 'exile' refer to ?
  - 12) Who were the three classical poets with whom Kalidasa was ranked with ?

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- 13) What do the best poets wait for in Poet, Lover and Bird watcher ?
- 14) What is the protagonist's fondest memory in Of White Hair and Cricket ?
- 15) What is the meaning of the title Nagamandala ?
- 16) Why isn't the harp played right now ?
- 17) What was the poet served as seen in the poem 'Where do you come from' ?
- 18) What does the poet tell Ghanashyam ?
- 19) What does shadow lines symbolize ?
- 20) How was Chiandu Menon honored by Queen Victoria ?





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**Examination, April 2022**  
**(2019 Admission)**  
**CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH**  
**6B14ENG : Indian Writing in English**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

- I. Write an essay in **250** words on **any one** of the following : **(1×8=8)**
- 1) What was the consequence of colonial English education on the literature of Indian languages in the 19<sup>th</sup> century ?
  - 2) Discuss the reasons cited by K. Satchidanandan to consider Indian Writing in English as 'relevant and legitimate'.
- II. Write an essay in **250** words on **any one** of the following : **(1×8=8)**
- 3) Discuss the symbolic significance of the title *The Shadow Lines*.
  - 4) *Naga-mandala* is a play where fact and fiction is fused to unravel the complexities of contemporary society-Argue.
- III. Answer **any four** of the following in about **100** words : **(4×4=16)**
- 5) What is the symbolic significance of 'the harp' in "The Harp of India" ?
  - 6) How does Nehru subvert the scholarly traditions while comparing the Indian and the European literatures ?
  - 7) Why does R. Parthasarathy say "the most reassuring thing/about the past is that it happened" ?
  - 8) How does Nissim Ezekiel describe the vocation of the poet ?
  - 9) What does Makarand Paranjappe identify as the reason for the rise of the novel in the West ?
  - 10) How does the narrator's refusal to pluck his father's white hairs become significant ?

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IV. Answer **any eight** of the following in **not more than two** sentences : (8×1=8)

- 11) Who was Ashvaghosha ?
- 12) What is *nirukta* ?
- 13) Why does Kamala Das's narrator describe herself as a migrating bird in *Ghanasyam* ?
- 14) What is the strength the speaker asks for in his prayer to the Lord in *Gitanjali : Song 36* ?
- 15) What was the first honest feedback the nightingale received in response to her song ?
- 16) What is the significance of the question "Where do you come from ?"
- 17) Why was Viraf meeting with Dr. Sidhwa ?
- 18) How did Rani prove her innocence ?
- 19) Why does Tridib go to Dhaka ?
- 20) What provided 'necessary pauses' to the narrator of "Exile" 'in a basement flat' ?