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B. A. (General) EXAMINATION

(For Batch 2014 & Onwards)

(Fifth Semester)

ENGLISH (Compulsory)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Note : All questions are compulsory.

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

And remember always, the path we follow is the path of the spirit and with truth and non-violence and love shall we add to the harmony of the world. For, brother, we are not soldiers at arms, say I; we seek to be soldier saints.'

And just then Rangamma, who sat by the central pillar, unknowingly began to ring the

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gong, as though the curtain had fallen and the goddess beheld, and tears came to our eyes, and even our men felt there was smothering in air, and they too looked unaware, and there was not a cough nor a sneeze but only the eyelashes quivered and closed and Moorthy, in-lit and bright, says softly, 'You are all with us ? and we cry out, 'All ! All' and, 'You shall harm no one ?'—None ! None ! —'You shall go to the end fearlessly ?' — 'All ! All' — 'And there, shall be neither Brahmin nor Pariah ?' and the Pariahs shoot out, 'Mahatma Gandhi Ki Jai !' and an uncontrollable emotion takes hold of us all, and Moorthy says, 'The Panchayat has decided that it shall be on Friday the seventeenth that we shall begin the fight', and Pandit Venkateshia say, 'Few days could be more auspicious, and we say, 'So only three days more,' and Moorthy says, 'Till then, pray, purify yourself and pray', and we all cry out, 'Narayan ! Narayan !'.

- (i) What kind of path have they to adopt, according to Moorthy ?
- (ii) What kind of soldiers they are, according to Moorthy ?
- (iii) What did Rangamma begin to do ?
- (iv) What did the villagers say when Moorthy asked them whether they would harm anyone ?
- (v) What did the Pariahs shout ? $5 \times 2 = 10$

2. Answer any *five* questions of the following in a word, phrase or sentence : 5

- (i) Who is the narrator of the novel, 'Kanthapura' ?
- (ii) How is India equated to Sita in the novel ?
- (iii) Who is Savitharamma ? What happens to her ?

- (iv) What leads to Narasamma's death ?
 - (v) What activities Moorthy does with the Pariahs of the village ?
 - (vi) What kind of man is the New Sahib ?
 - (vii) Who are the people that visit Moorthy in Jail ?
 - (viii) Who teaches Yoga to the village and to what effect ?
3. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **30** words each : 5×3=15
- (i) Why does Bade Khan find it difficult to get a house in the village ?
 - (ii) What vision does Moorthy have about Gandhi Ji ?
 - (iii) Explain the conditions at Skeffington Coffee Estate.

- (iv) What does fasting have to do with the national movement ?
 - (v) What is the month of Kartik important for the villagers in Kanthapura ?
 - (vi) What was the plan of civil disobedience movement ?
 - (vii) What tactics does the Police use to handle the Toddy shop Picketing Protest ?
 - (viii) How do the villagers react to the announcement of auction ?
4. Moorthy is the hero of the novel. Do you agree ? Give your detailed opinion.

Or

In Kanthapura, we find a set of good characters struggling against the set of evil characters. Analyse Raja Rao's art of characterisation.12

5. (a) Transcribe and mark primary stress on any *five* of the following words : 5

(i) Absent (verb)

(ii) Compound (verb)

(iii) Escort (Noun)

(iv) Excuse (Noun)

(v) Invite (verb)

(vi) Object (verb)

(vii) Permit (Noun)

(viii) Record (Noun)

(b) Mark Intonation (following and rising tones) in any *five* of the following sentences :

(i) I have just bought a car.

(ii) John and George are friends.

(iii) There is going to be a party soon.

(iv) Can I meet you on Sunday ?

- (v) What a pleasant surprise ?
- (vi) Take the boy to the doctor.
- (vii) Pass me the salt please.
- (viii) Are you leaving for Delhi Today ?

Or

(For Blind Candidates Only)

Attempt any *ten* of the following idioms and phrases :

- (i) To be in one's good books
- (ii) To nip in the bud
- (iii) To back out
- (iv) To be in the same boat
- (v) Maiden speech
- (vi) Red tape
- (vii) A rainy day
- (viii) Apple of discord
- (ix) A black sheep

- (x) An eye wash
- (xvi) A lion's share
- (xii) To greese the palm
- (xiii) Answer back
- (xiv) Show off
- (xv) Out of place.

6. (a) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate transitional word or phrase. Attempt any *five* :

- (i)there was load music going on, I could not get what he was saying. (Since/Because/Just as)
- (ii) Kabir's mind is as sharp.....a calculator. (as/as if/like)
- (iii)green vegetables are good for health I like non-vegetarian food. (Although/though/In contrast)

(iv)Ramesh got tired of waiting for his girlfriend and came home. (Finally/Soon/Eventually)

(v) I have not met Manish.....I returned from America.

(Until/After/Ever Since)

(vi) I was too tired;.....I decided not to go to the state fair last night. (consequently/that is why/therefore)

(vii) The judge,....., thinks capital punishment is wrong.

(No doubt/Undoubtedly/Without a doubt)

(viii)I am every allergic to cold drinks, my friend offered me a coke.

(Until/Because/Even though)

(b) Transform as directed (Any seven) :

(i) He is said to be a good doctor.

(Convert it into a complex sentence)

(ii) The principal is likely to punish him.

(Convert it into a complex sentence)

(iii) The old man sat near the fire, smoking.

(Convert it into a compound sentence)

(iv) This is the place where the match will be played.

(Convert it into a simple sentence)

(v) Notwithstanding his hard work, he failed.

(Convert it into a compound sentence)

(vi) He finished his exercise and put away his books.

(Convert it into a simple sentence)

(vii) We must eat, or we cannot live.

(Convert it into a simple sentence)

(viii) He worked hard to pass the examination.

(Convert it into a complex sentence)

(ix) He said that he was innocent.

(Convert it into a simple sentence)

(x) He was so tired that he could not stand.

(Convert it into a simple sentence)

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7. Write short notes on the following : $4 \times 2 = 8$

(i) Picaresque Novel.

Or

Epistolary Novel.

(ii) Plot.

Or

Monologue.

8. Write a paragraph of about **200** words on any one of the following topics : 8

- (i) Effect of Demonitisation
- (ii) Save the Girl Child Campaign
- (iii) Pleasures of Reading
- (iv) Global Warming.