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M. A. EXAMINATION

(For 2009 to 2012 Batch)

(Fourth Semester)

ENGLISH

Commonwealth Literature

Course-19 (Opt. i)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Section A

1. Attempt any *four* out of the given questions in about **100-150** words each. Each question carries 4 marks.

(a) Give an account of Lenny's mother in *Ice Candy Man*.

(b) How has the neutrality of the Parsis during communal holocaust been Portrayed in *Ice Candy Man* ? Discuss.

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- (c) Highlight the role of Mr. Kiaga in the novel *Things Fall Apart*.
 - (d) Comment on the ending of the novel *Things Fall Apart*.
 - (e) Discuss Mr. Biswar's concept of the ideal house in *A House for Mr. Biswas*.
 - (f) Briefly discuss the Tulsis in the novel *A House for Mr. Biswas*. 4×4=16
2. Analyse *Ice Candy Man* as a partition novel. 16
 3. Discuss the women characters in *Ice Candy Man* with reference to their roles in affecting Lenny's Consciousness. 16
 4. Write a detailed note on the structural pattern of the novel *Things Fall Apart*. 16
 5. Examine *Things Fall Apart* as a post colonial novel. 16

6. Discuss critically the use of irony and humour in the novel *A House for Mr. Biswas*. 16
7. Discuss critically the significance of the title of the novel *A House for Mr. Biswas*, highlighting how the house is used as a metaphor to indicate certain situations or states of mind. 16

Section B

8. Show your acquaintance with any four of the following in about 100-150 words each :
 - M. K. Gandhi- "*Hind Swaraj*"
 - N. C. Chaudhuri- *Autobiography of an Unknown*
 - Edward Said- "*Introduction*" to *Orientalism*
 - Nadine Gardimer- *as a short story writer*
 - Ashish Nandy- "*The Intimate Enemy*"
 - Taslima Nasreer- *Lazza*. 4×4=16