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First Degree Programme Under CBCSS

English Language

Foundation Course I

EN 1121 : WRITINGS ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

(2016 – 2018 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence.

1. What is NHRC?
2. What does the speaker mean when he says that "My mother bore me in the southern wild"?
3. What is ICCPR?
4. What did Nani do?
5. What is the significance of Patna conference resolution?
6. Who appears before the author in her dream like state in "The Goddess of Revenge."?
7. Define the terms globalisation and localisation.

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8. What does the term freedom imply for the thirsty people?
9. What is alcohol withdrawal delirium?
10. What are stimulants?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer **any eight** questions, each in short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. Explain the association between economic disparity and human rights.
12. What is the theme of the poem "The Little Black Boy"?
13. Discuss the case of Roop Kanwar.
14. Examine the author's depiction of society in the story "The Goddess of Revenge."
15. How does the author describe the grandmother's reaction on hearing the name Nani?
16. Explain the effects of globalisation on India?
17. Describe author's views on the policy changes in the context of localisation.
18. Explain the symbolism in the act of stitching as depicted the poem "Freedom."
19. What are the basic patterns in the usage of psycho-active substances?
20. Discuss the association between alcohol and different mental health problems.
21. Why does the cup in the hand of the poet rattles like drum?
22. The tailor's idea of freedom.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six** questions, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

23. Explain the impact of globalisation on human rights.
24. Examine the poet's depiction of Nani.
25. Discuss the association between poverty and human dignity.
26. Explain author's views on "the varying forms of violence confronted by different sections of women."
27. What are the views of Joseph E Stiglitz about pro-globalization policies?
28. What are the different treatment methods in alcoholism?
29. Examine the images and symbols used by Jeet Thayil to depict the life of an alcoholic.
30. Discuss the atrocities encountered by the underprivileged women.
31. Write a short note on the etiology of adolescent substance abuse?

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two** of the following in not less than **300** words.

32. Examine Gail Omvedt's analysis of violence against women.
33. Examine the major themes portrayed in the poem "Nani."
34. Describe the process of localisation as discussed by Helena Norberg-Hodge.
35. Discuss N.R. Madhava Menon's views on human rights and dignity.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)