

## B.A ENGLISH PROGRAMME

### EG-05

#### Poetry and Drama -III

**Time:** 3 Hrs

**MM:**70

1. The Question paper will be divided into three sections A, B, and C.
2. Section 'A' will contain seven (07) Very Short Answer Type Questions (one word, one sentence, and definitional type item) having weightage of fourteen (14) marks. Examinees will have to attempt all questions. Each question will be of 2 (two) marks and maximum word limit will be thirty to fifty words.
3. **Section 'B' will contain Eight Short Answer Type Questions.** Examinees will have to **answer any four (04) questions.** Each question will be of seven (07) marks. The weightage of this section will be of twenty eight (28) marks. Examinees have to delimit each answer in maximum 100 words.
4. **Section 'C' will contain four Long Answer Type Questions** and each question will also have internal alternative option. Each question will be of fourteen (14) marks. Examinees will have to **answer any two questions.** The weightage of this section will be of twenty eight (28) marks. They have to delimit each answer in maximum 800 words.

#### Section A

Answer the following questions in 30-50 words:

- ❖ Why does T.S. Eliot say "I want to resign my life for this life"?
- ❖ Comment on the title of "Hawk Roosting"?
- ❖ Explain the lines "A thousand tight-rope tricks of understanding"?
- ❖ What is the situation described in the poem "Crossing of Rivers"?
- ❖ Comment on the ending of Soyinka's poem?
- ❖ What is Oedipus complex?
- ❖ What was the origin of the play "Hayavadana"?
- ❖ What do you know about E.E Cummings?
- ❖ How does kamala Das describe herself in her poem?
- ❖ Explain the title "Enterprise"?
- ❖ Write short note on Simeon?

- ❖ Explain the lines “it’s hard to lose either, when you have both”?
- ❖ Justify the title “Emperor of Ice Cream”?
- ❖ Explain “water skin” and “a bloated buffalo”?
- ❖ What is the underlying idea of the poem “Genesis”?
- ❖ What was the poem “To a Shade” occasioned by?
- ❖ Was Eliot a rationalist? Discuss.
- ❖ What role does mother Kali play in “Hayavadana”?
- ❖ Comment on the use of myth in “The Family Reunion”?
- ❖ Write a note of the role of Bhagwata in the play?
- ❖ Explain the phrase ‘unquiet wanderer’?
- ❖ What does the poet hope for in “A Song For Simeon”?
- ❖ Explain the line “the bud is more than the calyx”?
- ❖ What is the condition of the rescued man in Daruwala’s poem?
- ❖ How does Kamala Das husband treat her?
- ❖ Comment on the use of similes in James berry’s poem?
- ❖ Justify the title “The Family Reunion”?
- ❖ What role does Devdatta and Kapila’s son play in the play?
- ❖ Who are the sisters referred to in Lowell’s poetry? What do they represent?
- ❖ What is the underlying idea of the poem “Her Hand “?

## Section B

**Attempt the following questions in 100 words.**

- ❖ How does T.S. Eliot integrate private and public religious experience in his poems?
- ❖ Justify Toad as a metaphor for work in Philip Larkin’s poem?
- ❖ Analyse the line “Death is the mother of Beauty”?
- ❖ Write a note on the use of similes by Kamala Das?
- ❖ Discuss Eliot’s attitude to life and literature?
- ❖ What were Lady Amy’s aspirations?

- ❖ Write a note on the theme of the poem “Thy Fingers Make Early Flowers”?
- ❖ Trace the origin of the play “Hayavadana”?
- ❖ Critically appreciate the poem “Hawk Roosting” as monologue or a soliloquy?
- ❖ Closely analyze the sun imagery in “Sunday Morning”?
- ❖ How effectively T.S. Eliot uses the metaphor of ship in “Mariner” to convey his own mission?
- ❖ Does T.S. Eliot believe that the only reality is the flux. Elucidate.
- ❖ Assess Nissim Ezekiel’s poem “Enterprise”.
- ❖ Write a note on Eliot’s use of myth in poetry and drama?
- ❖ What social problems have been raised by Karnad in the play ”Hayavadana”?
- ❖ Padmini’s role is that of selfishness in the play. Discuss.
- ❖ Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem “To a Shade”.
- ❖ Write a note on the theme of the poem “Thy Fingers Make Early Flowers”?
- ❖ What does the poem “Anecdote of the Jar Convey”?
- ❖ How does Daruwala depict the mistress?
- ❖ What is the responsibility of the poet according to Jayant Mahapatra?
- ❖ What kind of play is Hayavadana? Discuss.
- ❖ Discuss the theme of “Landscape with the Fall of Icarus”?
- ❖ What are the views of Eliot about modern man in his play?

### **Section C**

**Attempt the following questions in detail (800 words).**

- ❖ Critically appreciate the poem “Sunday Morning” as an eloquent and thematically resonant poem?
- ❖ What is your perception of T.S.Eliot’s pain, suffering as well as joyous experience and spiritual growth after reading his religious poetry?
- ❖ Discuss the art and technique of Nissim Ezekiel with illustrations from the text?
- ❖ What are the major themes discussed by kamala Das in her poems?
- ❖ Discuss T.S.Eliot’s contribution to poetic drama?
- ❖ Comment on the main characters in the play”Hayavadana”?

- ❖ William Carlos Williams is a poet closely associated with modernism and Imagism. Elaborate with illustrations from his poems?
- ❖ What are themes of “The Family Reunion”?
- ❖ Explore the feminist message in Lowell’s work?
- ❖ Discuss the art and technique of Wallace Stevens in his poem?
- ❖ What are the leading themes in Daruwala’s poetry and how does he deal with them?
- ❖ Karnad analyses the inner psychology of the characters in his play. Analyze?
- ❖ Comment on the “versification” in Nissim Ezekiel’s poetry?
- ❖ How is the racial attitude depicted in African poetry?
- ❖ Is Hayavadana a historical or a realistic play? Analyze and justify?
- ❖ What role did Eliot play in Reviving poetic drama?
- ❖ Lowell’s genius lies in the rendering of sensuous images. Discuss?
- ❖ Analyze Ted Hughes as a contemporary writer with reference to his poems?
- ❖ African poetry is an assertion of the concept of the white man’s ego. Explain?
- ❖ Discuss Eliot’s Craftsmanship and contribution to poetic Drama?
- ❖ How does Karnad pose the problem of human identity in a world of tangled relationships?
- ❖ William Carlos poem are a living document of experience. Discuss?
- ❖ How does kamala Das celebrate womanhood in her poems?
- ❖ Simplicity is the cardinal virtue of Ezekiel’s poetry. Discuss?

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EG -06

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### **Section A**

**Attempt the following questions in about 30-50 words:**

- ❖ Where are George and Lennie going and what for?
- ❖ Who messed up with the previous job George and Lennie had?
- ❖ Who used to give Lennie mice?
- ❖ What dreams do George and Lennie share?
- ❖ Where should Lennie go if he is in trouble as suggested by George?
- ❖ What is George’s last name?
- ❖ How does Montresor make sure that the house is empty?
- ❖ What is the difference in meaning between biography and autobiography?
- ❖ What is the vision for 2020 to APJ Abdul Kalam?
- ❖ Define novel.
- ❖ What is the setting of *Of Mice and Men*?
- ❖ Which work does the title *Of Mice and Men* come from?
- ❖ Which occasion “A Tryst with Destiny” was written for?
- ❖ What did Lennie do to Curly’s wife?
- ❖ Name the writer who writes about Igbo society.
- ❖ Define irony in a sentence.
- ❖ Whose first novel is *Watch and Ward* (1871)?
- ❖ Who coined the phrase “stream of consciousness”?
- ❖ Why does Montresor seek revenge on Fortunato?
- ❖ Where did APJ Abdul Kalam work initially?
- ❖ Which time and place *Of Mice and Men* is set in?

## Section B

**Attempt the following questions in about 100 words:**

- ❖ In “A Room of One's Own”, what techniques does Virginia Woolf employ in presenting her arguments?
- ❖ Why, according to Virginia Woolf, did Elizabethan women not write poetry?
- ❖ As expressed in “A Room of One's Own”, does Virginia Woolf think that poems are superior to novels?
- ❖ Describe the character of Slim.
- ❖ Why to Chinua Achebe writing in English is important?
- ❖ Discuss the phrase “stream of consciousness”. Give examples of “stream of consciousness” novel.
- ❖ After reading “A Room of One’s Own” do you think, you really have to be independently wealthy to write well?
- ❖ Describe the catacombs Fortunato is led through.
- ❖ Do you think Fortunato deserved to be killed?
- ❖ What is Luchesi’s role in the story of “A Cask of Amentillado”?
- ❖ How does the first chapter in “Of Mice and Men” explain the relationship between George and Lennie?
- ❖ How is Lennie described in “Of Mice and Men”?
- ❖ Does the fictional aspect of “A Room of One’s Own” make it more powerful, or do they distract you from the argument? Can you separate the argument from the fiction?
- ❖ Montresor says, “A wrong is unredressed when retribution overtakes its unredresser. Discuss.
- ❖ How does Montresor prepare for his revenge?

## Section C

**Attempt the following questions in 800 words:**

- ❖ What is the relevance of the title *Native Son*?
- ❖ Discuss some of the gender issues in “A Room of One's Own” by Virginia Woolf.
- ❖ Discuss the main theme of *Of Mice and Men*.
- ❖ Discuss the Postmodernist element in “Split at the Root”.

- ❖ What is the point of view of the novel *Of Mice and Men*? Write a note on Steinbeck's technique of writing.
- ❖ "Split at the Root" is an essay about Jewish identity. Discuss.
- ❖ Was Bigger's flight an attempt to escape fear or a realization of self-deception or both? Discuss.
- ❖ Discuss the main theme of *The Ghosts of Vasu Master*.