GENERAL ENGLISH FOR BA/ BCom / BSc COURSES

SEMESTER - II

Unit - I

PROSE

- 1. Dr B. R. Ambedkar: The Annihilation of Caste
- 2. J. B.S Haldane: The Scientific Point of View
- 3. A.G. Gardiner: On Shaking Hands

Unit - II

POETRY

- 1. John Keats: Ode to Autumn
- 2. Margaret Atwood: This is a Photograph of Me
- 3. Kishwar Naheed: I am not that Woman (from An Anthology of Commonwealth Poetry edited by C.D. Narasimhaiah)

Unit -III

SHORT STORY

- 1. Ruskin Bond: The Boy Who Broke the Bank
- 2. R. K. Narayan: Half a Rupee Worth
- 3. Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni: The Unknown Errors of Our Lives

Unit - IV

ONE ACT PLAY

Anton Chekhov: The Proposal

Unit - V

LANGUAGE ACTIVITY

- 1. Classroom and Laboratory Activities
 - Tense and Aspect i.
 - The Interrogative ii.
 - iii. Question Tags(Affirmative/Negative)
 - Dialogue Making iv.
 - ٧. Listening Comprehension
- 2. Classroom Activity
 - i. **Guided Composition**
 - ii. Dialogue Writing
 - Reading Comprehension iii.

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THREE YEAR B.A./B.COM./B.Sc./ DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY – 2016 CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

SECOND SEMESTER

PART I (A) - GENERAL ENGLISH PROSE, POETRY, SHORT STORY AND DRAMA

MODEL PAPER

TIME: 3 HOURS

MARKS: 75

I. Attempt any THREE of the following questions.

 $3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks}$

- 1. What are Ambedkar's views on the conditions prevailing in the Hindu society?
- 2. "Scientific point of view is morally equivalent of war", explain?
- 3. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of shaking hands.
- 4. What are the influences of science on the life of an average man according to J.B.S Haldane?
- 5. What is the impact of the past ideals on the present Hindu society, according to Ambedkar?

II. Attempt any THREE of the following questions.

 $3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks}$

- 1. Analyse John Keats' concept of the autumn season?
- 2. How does Kishwar Naheed portray her intense personal feelings in the poem 'Iam Not that Woman'?
- 3. Describe the poet's photograph as it is projected in "This is a Photograph of Me".
- 4. What does Keats mean by "mists and mellow fruitfulness"?
- 5. What do you think of the poet on the basis of the poem "I am not That Woman"?

III. Attempt any TWO of the following questions.

2 X 5= 10 marks

- 1. What does Nathu find the next morning in the story 'The Boy who Broke the Bank'
- 2. Explain the impact of war on Subbaiah's business.
- 3. Describe Arlene's role in Ruchira's life.
- 4. How did Subbajah rise in fortune after his death?

IV. Attempt any ONE of the following questions.

 $1 \times 5 = 05 \text{ marks}$

- 1. Sketch the character of Natalya Stepanovna.
- 2. What is the central theme of Chekov's farce, "A Marriage Proposal"?
- 3. Describe how Anton Chekov makes fun of the rich land owners of his time through "A Marriage Proposal".

V. A). Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. 5 X 1=5 marks

Nehru is like an English man. He was born in India, of Indian Blood, but he grew up an Englishman. His governess was English. He was educated at Harrow and Cambridge, and he studied law at the Inner Temple. He knows English Literature, Constitutional History, Law and Social Philosophy. Nehru himself points out that spiritually he hangs suspended between India and England. "They are both part of me and create in me a feeling of spiritual loneliness. I am a stranger and alien in the west. But in my own country also, sometimes, I have an exile's feeling".

- 1. What course did Nehru study at the Inner Temple?
- 2. In what area does Nehru hang suspended between India and England?
- 3. What does the First word in quotation "They" refer to in the paragraph?
- 4. What does the word "alien" mean?
- 5. In which Country was Nehru feeling being in exile?

B. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in the brackets.

5X1 = 5 marks

- 1. Columbus ---- (discover) America.
- 2. When he came, I ---- (paint) a picture.
- 3. It ---- (rain) just.
- 4. Obama ----- (visit) India shortly.
- 5. If Ravi ---- (request) me, I would have helped him.

C. Convert the following sentences into appropriate question forms. $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$

- 1. He has never seen a king cobra.
- 2. She knows a little German.

D. Add question tags to the following statements.

 $3 \times 1 = 3 \text{ marks}$

- 1. It never rains in Madaksira.
- 2. They will stay there.
- 3. She is very dull.

E. Correct the following sentences, if necessary.

 $5 \times 1 = 5 \text{ marks}$

- 1. His behaviour was too rash.
- 2. Suresh is learning English for two years.
- 3. He has a ulcer on his leg.
- 4. Slow and steady win the race.
- 5. Whom do you think will be the winner?

F. Write a meaningful paragraph, using the hints given below and suggest a suitable title too. 5 marks

Swatcha Bharat – a massive programme – participation of all sections of society – awareness of cleanliness – pollution free environment – outbreak of diseases- good health – happy living – educational institutions – part of curriculum structure.

G. You meet a childhood friend after a long time. You start your conversation, you talking about Indian film music and your friend Indian classical music.

5 marks

Prepare a meaningful dialogue for the above situation.

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