

# WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Honours 2nd Semester Examination, 2021

# ENGACOR03T-ENGLISH (CC3)

# INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

Time Allotted: 2 Hours



Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

NOTE: Long Question and Reference to the Context (RTC) cannot be attempted from the same text.

#### SECTION-I

- 1. Answer any *one* from the following questions in about 500 words:
- $15 \times 1 = 15$
- (a) How does A.K. Ramanujan articulate the conflict between traditional and modern Indian in his poem 'Still Another View of Grace'?
- (b) Critically comment on the multiple implications of 'hunger' as explored by Jayanta Mahapatra in his poem of the same name.
- (c) In the poem 'An Introduction' Kamala Das expresses her resentment in being confined to gender roles. Discuss.
- 2. Explain any *one* from the following with reference to the context in about 200  $5 \times 1 = 5$  words:
  - (a) And cried, I'm free as they!
  - (b) I am sinner,

I am saint. I am the beloved and the Betrayed.

(c) She opened her wormy legs wide. I felt the hunger there, the other one, the fish slithering, turning inside.

## **SECTION-II**

- 3. Answer any *one* from the following questions in about 500 words:
- $15 \times 1 = 15$
- (a) Examine the relationship between Rosie and Raju as explored by R.K. Narayan in his novel *The Guide*.
- (b) Discuss how setting plays an important role in The Guide.

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4. Answer any *one* from the following questions in about 500 words:

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- (a) Examine 'Tiger, Tiger Burning Bright' as a short story that focusses on Ruskin Bond's concern for wildlife.
- (b) Sashi Deshpande's short story 'The Intrusion' revolves around a woman's search for the self. Discuss.
- (c) Comment on the symbols used by Salman Rushdie in his short story 'The Free Radio'.
  - N.B.: Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.