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WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2021-22

ENGACOR11T-ENGLISH (CC11)

WOMEN'S WRITING

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

 $15 \times 1 = 15$

The figures in the margin indicate marks of question. Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

GROUP-A

1. Answer any *one* question from the following: (500 words)

- (a) What is the central idea in the poem 'I cannot live with you' by Emily Dickinson? Explain with reference to the poem.
- (b) Critically examine the title of Sylvia Plath's poem 'Daddy'.
- (c) What advice does Eunice De Souza give to women in her poem 'Advice to Women'? Critically evaluate from a feminist perspective.

GROUP-B

- 2. Answer any *one* question from the following: (500 words) $15 \times 1=15$
 - (a) How does the novel *Wide Sargasso Sea* by Jean Rhys establish the link between womanhood and enslavement? Elucidate.
 - (b) How is the problem of 'otherness' depicted and treated in Jean Rhys's *Wide* Sargasso Sea?

GROUP-C

- 3. Answer any *one* question from the following: (500 words)
 - (a) Analyse how Gilman addresses the "struggle in which a male-dominated medical establishment attempts to silence women" in 'The Yellow Wallpaper.'
 - (b) Analyse the character of Bertha in 'Bliss' by Katherine Mansfield.

 $15 \times 1 = 15$

GROUP-D

4. Answer any *one* question from the following: (200 words)

 $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (a) Why was Rassundari Devi afraid of people finding out about her urge to read? What are the views expressed in the excerpts from *Amar Jiban* prescribed in your syllabus that justify her fear?
- (b) Briefly describe how Rassundari Devi provides a pen-picture of the contemporary life of women in *Amar Jiban*.
 - **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.

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