

BA DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, DECEMBER 2024

Fourth Semester

B.A. English Language and Literature B21EG01DE – Regional Literatures in Translation (2022 admissions)

Time: 3 Hours Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. For which collection was K. Siva Reddy awarded the Sahitya Akademi award?
- 2. Name any two writers who were associated with the Progressive Writers' Association.
- 3. Who propounded the concept of 'carnivalesque'?
- 4. Expand RSA.
- 5. Who is given the title 'Vedanta Siromani' in the novel Samskara?
- 6. In which language was Silence! The Court is in Session originally written?
- 7. What is meant by gender dysphoria?
- 8. Who is the author of *After Amnesia*?
- 9. Which Bengali classical novel is Bibhutibhushan Bandopadhyay well known for?
- 10. Name the translator of "Close to My Heart".
- 11. Which character from "Eidgah" is a reflection of the zamindari system?
- 12. Who yelled "Ma-ho!" in his final moments in the short story "Draupadi"?
- 13. What is the full title of the novel Samskara?
- 14. Name the author of the short story that inspired Vijay Tendulkar to write *Silence! The Court is in Session*.
- 15. What is the title of Mary Kom's autobiography?

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 16. What are the techniques used by the translator of the short story "Eidgah" in order to preserve the flavor of the original source?
- 17. Why did G.N.Devy return his Sahitya Akademi Award to the government?
- 18. Explain the importance of Macaulay's "Minute on Indian Education".
- 19. What are the procedures involved in Sex Reassignment Surgery?

- 20. Explain the meaning of the following lines with reference to the context:
 - I am the princess
 - A fresh new rose.
 - Will my dream come true?
- 21. What major causes drive Dopdi to fight in "Draupadi"?
- 22. What is the symbolic significance of the vermicelli pudding that Grandmother Ameena intends to prepare?
- 23. What does "bare sky" denote in "Empty Space"?
- 24. What is the difference between an asexual and a bisexual?
- 25. Write a short note on the themes of Tarannum Riyaz's poetry.

(2X5=10)

Section C

Answer any six of the following questions in one page each. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 26. What makes Hamid stand out from other characters of "Eidgah"?
- 27. Explore the different types of life writing in Indian English literature. Give Examples.
- 28. Discuss the various imagery used in "A Love Song Between Two Generations".
- 29. Evaluate the significance of the title "Draupadi".
- 30. Explain the use of the play-within-a-play technique in Silence! The Court is in Session.
- 31. Analyze the prominence of English translations in understanding Indian literature.
- 32. Explain how Riyaz evokes a sense of longing in "Close to My Heart" through the use of imagery.
- 33. What are the problems encountered in translation studies?
- 34. Bring out the symbolism of Chandri's jewelry in Samskara.
- 35. Write a short note on the typical obstacles a transgender person faces.
- 36. How does the poem "A Love Song Between Two Generations" handle the theme of love?
- 37. Examine how Vaidehi addresses the notion of gendered language in her poem "She, He and Language".

(5X6=30)

Section D

Answer any two of the following questions in three pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

- 38. Attempt a comparative study of the poems "She, He and Language" and "Empty Space". Discuss the portrayal of the issues couples face as evidenced in these poems.
- 39. Examine the theme of resistance in Mahasweta Devi's "Draupadi".
- 40. Consider U.R. Ananthamurthy's Samskara as a coming-of-age tale.
- 41. Trace the personal struggles Vidya recounts in her autobiography, *I am Vidya: A Transgender's Journey*.

(10X2=20)