

2022
ENGLISH
[HONOURS]
(B.A. Fifth Semester-End Examination-2022)
PAPER: DSE1

Full Marks: 60

Time: 03 Hrs

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

1. Attempt any two of the following questions. 2×10= 20

- i) Arthur Miller's *All My Sons* is sometimes specified as a social drama. — Discuss.
- ii) Discuss Gabriel Okara's "The Mystic Drum" as a conflict between indigenous African culture and Western culture.
- iii) Discuss the concept of beauty as enunciated by Charles Baudelaire in his poem "The ideal" and "The Poet's Beatrice".
- iv) Write a note on the Satyagraha campaign led by Gandhi in South Africa.

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2. Attempt any four of the following questions. 4×5=20

- i) Give an account of the crime that Joe Keller and Steve Deever committed in *All My Sons*.
- ii) Comment on the title of the poem "The Mystic Drum".
- iii) Comment on the irony used in the title and content of the poem "The Poet's Beatrice".
- iv) "...the only means for the realisation of Truth is Ahimsa". — Comment upon the statement.
- v) Comment on the role of translation in the history and development of world literature.
- vi) What are the key themes of diasporic literature?
- vii) Why did the speaker praise the character of Lady Macbeth in the poem "The Ideal"?
- viii) Bring out the significance of Aschenbach's infatuation for Tadzio.

3. Attempt any ten of the following questions. 10×2=20

- i) What is the symbolic significance of the baseball glove in the play *All My Sons*?
- ii) Who is Ann Deever? Why is her arrival a problem for Kate?
- iii) When and where did the events in *All My Sons* take place?

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- iv) "She only smiled with a shake of her head". — Who is referred to here? What does she suggest?
- v) What was the German title of the novella *Death in Venice*? When was it originally published?
- vi) Why does the persona in the poem "The Ideal" refer to Aeschylus?
- vii) Who inspired Aschenbach to go on a holiday to Venice and why?
- viii) Explain the significance of the reference to Hamlet in the poem "The Poet's Beatrice".
- ix) "The mystic drum in my inside". — What does the expression suggest?
- x) What do you mean by the term "Hybridity"?
- xi) What do you mean by literal translation?
- xii) Write a brief note on Michelangelo's 'Night' in Baudelaire's "The Ideal".
- xiii) What do you mean by the concept of 'Satyagraha'?
- xiv) "Here is an example for you to copy". — Who said this? What was the example?
- xv) Which two books inspired Gandhiji a lot during his childhood?

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