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First Degree Programme Under CBCSS

English Language and Literature

Complementary Course

EN 1132 : INTRODUCTION TO DALIT WRITING

(2020 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions in a **word** or a **sentence**. Each question carries **1** mark.
1. Who was the first and only Satyagrahi to perform Satyagraha for drinking water?
 2. When did the first, 'Dalit Literary Conference' occur?
 3. Who is the author of *Karukku*?
 4. Who started the Dalit-Bandaya Movement?
 5. Which date is observed as, 'Social Empowerment Day' in India?
 6. What is the name of Bheema's daughter?
 7. Name the autobiography by Siddalingaiah.
 8. Write any two works of M.B.Manoj.

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9. In which Indian state was Vasant Moon born?
10. In which year did Ambedkar and his followers born *Manusmriti*?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **eight** of the following in a short paragraph of **50** words each. Each question carries **2** marks.

11. What is the main aim of Mahad Satyagraha?
12. "They caught by the neck those/who had beaten them with sticks". What do these lines convey in "*Thousands of Rivers*"?
13. What are the slogans of dalits compared to in "*Dalits are Coming*"?
14. According to Siddalingaiah, how are dalits writing history?
15. What does the line, 'We kept moving away, as they drove us, to the very edges of the earth' suggest?
16. What does the phrase, 'unsullied words of the confessors' express in "*The Children of the Forest Talk to Yesu*"?
17. In the poem, "*Anonymous*", what was the poet's wish during the occurrence of floods?
18. Why did Bheema get excited?
19. What was Bheema's dream?
20. Why does Bhagyodaya club decide to have two teams?
21. Describe the attitude of 'puthuchristianikal' towards their kinsfolk who joined the Hindu mutt sangham.
22. Why do the devotees of the mutt sangham find themselves between the devil and the deep sea?
23. According to the sacred tradition, how are the Hindus divided?

24. What are the governing rules of the Hindu religion?
25. According to Ambedkar, how can the untouchables rise from the state of atishudras to the shudras?
26. What is *Karukku* about?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six** of the following each in a paragraph of about **100** words. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

27. Write a short note on Dalit Sangharsh Samiti.
28. How does Siddalingaiah offer a vision of deep political and cultural plurality through his poem, "*Thousands of Rivers*"?
29. How does "*The children of the Forest Talk to Yesu*" articulate the Christian Dalit's sense of alienation?
30. Is Christ the actual betrayer in "*The Children of the Forest Talk to Yesu*"?
31. Sketch the character of Bheema in, "Gold from the Grave".
32. Explain the thoughts which came to Bheema's mind when he became jobless?
33. Describe the features of the players in Team A of Bhagyodaya club.
34. Explain in detail the preparations done by the Cokhamela hostel management to welcome Gandhi.
35. What were the reasons for the formation of Sadhujana Paripalana Sangham?
36. Why do the upper caste Hindus of Mahad prevent the untouchables from drinking water of Chavadar lake?
37. Comment on Ambedkar's views on Brahmins.
38. Write a short note on Dalit Panthers' Manifesto.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer any **two**, each in about **three hundred** words. **Each** question carries **15** marks:

39. 'Siddalingaiah's poetry spearheaded the trend and tradition of radical dalit poetry which continues even today'. Substantiate.
40. "Annabhau's writings are about the struggles and qualities of the marginalized sections of society". Discuss with reference to the story "Gold from the Grave".
41. Explain in detail the voice of the voiceless in *Growing Up Untouchable in India*.
42. "Ayyankali's demands for freedom of movement and right to education are considered to be a yearning for human dignity". Comment.
43. Explain in detail the features of dalit literature, referring to the texts prescribed.
44. Describe in detail Ambedkar's struggles for dalit emancipation.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)