

# BA PART 3 QUESTION PAPER- 2017

## ENGLISH LITERATURE

Paper II (A) : Indian Writing in English

M. M. : 33

Attempt *all* questions.

1. (a) Explain with reference to the context any *three* of the following passages :  $3 \times 2 = 6$

- (i) Each season brings its own peculiar fruits.  
A time to act, a time to contemplate.  
The mage is created; try to change.  
Not to seek release but resolution,  
Not to hanker for a wide, good-like range.
- (ii) Flames have only lungs. Water is all eyes.  
The earth has bone for muscle.  
And the air is a flock of invisible Pigeons  
But anxiety  
Can find no metaphor to end it.
- (iii) They are regarded as the lowest of the low. They long for family and love. The two events in mainstream Hindu culture where their presence is acceptable, denied to them by man and nature.
- (iv) But then he realized that he was surrounded by a barrier, not a physical barrier, because one push from his hefty shoulders would have been

enough to unbalance the skeleton-like bodies of the onlookers, but a moral one.

- (v) It was this uniformity of our weather that made its changefulness in England so pleasant to me, and if you are once reconciled to it you really enjoy its mischief-making, and even its downright misbehaviour.

(b) Write short answers to *any seven* of the following :  $1 \times 7 = 7$

- (i) Write a short note on symbolism in 'A Poem of Dedication'.
- (ii) Write a note on the significance of the title in Jayant Mahapatras 'Hunger'.
- (iii) Write a brief note on the realistic approach of Vikram Seth in his 'Unclaimed'.
- (iv) Write a brief critical appreciation of A. K. Ramanujan's 'Anxiety'.
- (v) Discuss in brief the philosophic aspects as represented in 'The Unrest of Desire'.
- (vi) Give a brief account of Mahesh Dattani's social realism in the light of his 'Seven Steps Around the Fire'.
- (vii) Discuss in brief the theme of Mulk Raj Anand's 'Untouchable'.
- (viii) Write a note on Nirad C. Chaudhary's view about the influence of weather on human Psychology.
- (ix) Write a note on untouchability as the cause of social injustice in the light of Mulk Raj Anand's 'Untouchable'.

**LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS**

**5 × 4 = 20**

2. With reference to his poem 'A Poem of Dedication' discuss Nissim Ezekiel as a poet of human sensibility.

**Or**

Write a detailed critical appreciation of Jayant Mahapatra's 'Hunger'.

3. Discuss Vikram Seth as a poet.

**Or**

Mahesh Dattani's 'Seven Steps Around the Fire' exposes the miserable condition of the transgenders. Discuss.

4. "Bakha represents the justice demanding angry Dalit youths of free India." Analyse critically.

**Or**

Discuss Mulk Raj Anand as a novelist of social unrest with reference to his 'Untouchable'.

5. Evaluate Nirad C. Chaudhary as a modern prose writer with special emphasis on his prose style.

**Or**

Evaluate Keki N. Daruwala as a poet of modern India.