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B A DEGREE (CBCS)EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2018

First Semester

Core Course - EN1CRT01 - METHODOLOGY OF LITERARY STUDIES

(Common to B A English Model I, BA English Model II And B A English Model III Programmes)

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Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

Answer any **ten** questions. Each question carries **2** marks.

- 1. What are the four impulses behind literature?
- 2. What are Hudson's views on a great book?
- 3. What does Shakespeare assert in the final couplet of "Sonnet 116"?
- 4. Why does Cleanth Brooks say that there is no ideal reader?
- 5. What do the school, the gazing grain and the setting sun in Emily Dickinson's poem signify?
- 6. Why according to Eagleton did the Formalists privilege the study of literary form over content?
- 7. Why is there no communication between Kunti and the Nishad women?
- 8. What is multicultural feminism?
- 9. What does Aunt Mable's house have in place of walls, grilles and bolts?
- 10. Why is reclaiming the past significant according to Frantz Fanon?
- 11. Bring out the painful sarcasm in the line 'I won't be surprised even if they unite.'
- 12. How do traditional literary histories limit texts within hegemonic structures of interpretation?

(10×2=20)

Part B

Answer any **six** questions.

Each question carries **5** marks.

- 13. What is the chronological method of studying literature?
- 14. How does Shakespeare universalize his personal concept of love in "Sonnet 116"?
- 15. How does Cleanth Brooks reject the objections raised against isolating the work from the author's life and context?

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- 16. How does Eagleton summarise the tenets of Formalism?
- 17. 'Guilt is class conditioned.' Explain with reference to Kunti's forgetting if the Jatugriha episode.
- 18. Enumerate the six feminist premises put forward by Lois Tyson.
- 19. How are the 'poet friends' portrayed in the story "Inside Every Woman Writer"?
- 20. How does Darwish achieve multiple layers of meaning with the phrase 'What is there to be angry about'?
- 21. Write a note on the exclusion of 'lower caste' art from the mainstream in Kerala.

(6×5=30)

Part C

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 22. "Literature is the reflection of the personality of the author." Elucidate with reference to Hudson's ideas on literary studies.
- 23. How according to Eagleton, is the context significant in analysing literature?
- 24. Discuss the different issues highlighted by feminist literary methodology.
- 25. How does the title "No Alphabet in Sight" become emblematic of the absent history of the Dalits?

(2×15=30)