2024

2nd Semester Examination (CCFUP: NEP) **ENGLISH**

Paper: MI 2-T (Minor)

(Gender and Human Rights)

Full Marks: 60 Time: Three Hours

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

Group - A

Answer any five questions.

- 1. What is 'otherness' in Eunice de Souza's poem "Advice to Women"?
- 2. What does the cat symbolize in "Advice to Women"?
- 3. Bring out the significance of the imagery of 'silence' in the poem "Aggression".
- 4. What happened to the first saplings of laburnum planted by Lentina in her garden?
- 5. Who is Upin Puri? What was his profession?

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- 6. Who is Kangalicharan? What is his profession at the beginning of the story, "Breast Giver"?
- 7. Name two of the famous women writers mentioned in Virginia Woolf's "Professions for Women".
- 8. What advice Virginia Woolf gives to women to assert themselves as professionals and challenge traditional gender roles in her essay, in "Professions for Women"?

Group - B

Answer any *four* questions.

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- 9. What advice does Eunice de Souza give to her readers in the poem, "Advice to Women"?
- 10. How does Meena Kandasamy describe the relationship between power and aggression in her poem "Aggression"?
- 11. What does 'Laburnum' symbolize?
- 12. Examine the title of Mahasweta Devi's "Breast Giver".
- 13. What does 'the angel in the house' symbolize in Virginia Woolf's "Professions for Women"?
 - 14. What, according to Virginia Woolf, is a woman?

Group - C

Answer any three questions.

 $10 \times 3 = 30$

- 15. Analyse Eunice D'Souza's "Advice to Women" as a Feminist Poem.
- 16. Meena Kandasamy uses her poetry as a means of violent resistance to patriarchy. Elucidate with reference to the poem "Aggression".
- 17. Attempt an ecofeminist reading of Temsula Ao's short story "Laburnum for My Head".
- 18. Bring out the significance of the title of "Behind the Bodies".
- 19. What, according to Virginia Woolf, are the obstacles to women's professional identity?