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II Semester M.A. Degree (CBSS – Reg./Supple./Imp.) Examination, April 2023
(2019 Admission Onwards)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
ENG 2E06 : Dalit Writings

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. A) Write an essay in about **350** words on **any one** of the following :
Dalit literature in Malayalam.
OR
Ambedkar's contributions to Dalit thought and literature. (1×10=10)
- B) Write an essay in about **350** words on **any one** of the following :
Identity and consciousness in Dalit poetry.
OR
"Man you should Explode" as an outburst of resentment and frustration. (1×10=10)
- C) Write an essay in about **350** words on **any one** of the following :
Discuss Dalit autobiographical narratives with reference to the texts prescribed for study.
OR
Portrayal of untouchability in "The Midwife". (1×10=10)
- D) Write an essay in about **350** words on **any one** of the following :
Kancha Ilaiah's analysis of the socio-economic relation between the Hindus and Dalits.
OR
Dalit Literature and Aesthetics. (1×10=10)

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II. Annotate **any four** of the following, **each** in about **80** words :

- 1) Into the dump go gods and gurus,
down the drain go the lawmakers.
- 2) I am like the fly, trapped in the ancient sooty spider web
From time immemorial I have been crying
I am still crying
- 3) Take care that no bird ever sings, man, one should plan to die groaning
and screaming in pain
Let all this grow into a tumour to fill the universe, balloon up
And burst at a nameless time to shrink.
- 4) Where Sita entered the fire to prove her fidelity
Where Ahilya was turned to stone for Indra's lust
Where Draupadi was fractured to serve five husbands
In that country a woman is still a slave
- 5) One should regard the sky as one's grandpa, the earth as one's grandma
And coddled by them everybody should bask in mutual love
- 6) This country which demands
A pot of blood
For a swallow of water
How can I call it mine

(4×5=20)

III. Answer **any four** of the following, **each** in about **100** words :

- 7) Comment on the theme of Challapalli Swarupa Rani's poem.
- 8) Write a note on the Dalit Tamil poets use of syntax and form.
- 9) Ilaiah on social exclusion.
- 10) Comment on the central theme of "Brainwash".
- 11) How does Ambedkar try to show that the history of Hinduism has been the history of defeat and darkness ?
- 12) Attempts at reclaiming history and culture through poetry in the works of Rajkumar ND.

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