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Second Semester M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. Degree (Regular/Supplementary/ Improvement) Examination, March 2014 ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE Paper – VI : Women's Writing

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

I. Write Essays on any three (one from each Section) of the following :

SECTION-A

- 1) Consider 'The Laugh of the Medusa' as an experiment with woman's language.
- 2) Explain Barbara Smith's ideology of black feminism in 'Towards a Black Feminist criticism'.
- Analyse the trajectory of American feminism identified by Susie Tharu and Lalitha. (1×15=15)

SECTION-B

- 4) Consider the features of Akkamahadevi's sensuous poetry from the prescribed poems.
- 5) Elucidate the Feminine consciousness in Hira Bansode.
- 6) Analyse the element of individual self in 'Phenomenal Woman'. (1×15=15)

SECTION-C

- 7) Discuss the quest of self in Kamala Das's 'My Story'.
- 8) 'My mother said I never should' has become a classic in its revelation of mother-daughter emotions over the years.' Substantiate.
- 9) Critique the narrative strategies employed by Shashi Deshpande in 'Small remedies'. (1×15=15)

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- II. Write short notes on any five of the following :
 - 1) Gynocriticism
 - 2) L'ecriture Feminine
 - 3) The theme of 'Phenomenal woman'
 - 4) The Subjugation of Yesodhara
 - 5) Sofia in 'Color Purple'
 - 6) Thathri, The empowered Woman
 - 7) Doris in 'My Mother Said I Never Should'
 - 8) Existential feminism
 - 9) Universality of 'My mother said I never should'
 - 10) Lee Maracle.

(5x7=35)