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Second Semester M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. Degree (Regular/Supplementary/ Improvement) Examination, March 2015 (2013 and Earlier Admn.) ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE Paper – VI: Women's Writing

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

1. Write essays on any three (one from each Section):

SECTION - A

- 1) "Write your self. Your body must be heard. Only then will the immense resources of the unconscious spring". Elucidate the statement with ref. to 'The Laugh of the Medusa'.
- 2) "One thing is certain, Feminist Criticism is not visiting. It is here to stay and we must make a permanent home". How do Showalter substantiate the concept in 'Towards a feminist Poetics'.
- 3) Consider Bell Hook's contribution to feminist criticism.

 $(1 \times 15 = 15)$

SECTION - B

- 4). Analyse Akka Maha Devi as Bhakti poet.
- 5) Explain the Mother Figure in Hira Bansode's Yasodhara.
- 6) Elaborate how the Phenomenal Woman outshine the pretty woman and the patriarchal world in Angelou's 'Phenomenal Woman'. (1×15=15)

SECTION - C

- 7) Multiple narration in Shashi Deshpande's small remedies.
- 8) Comment on the character of Thatri in Lalithambika Antarjanam's Pratikara Devatha.
- 9) Analyse 'My Mother Said I Never Should' as a play of generations.

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- II. Write short notes on any five of the following:
 - 1) The concept of sisterhood in Bell Hook's from 'Margin to Centre'.
 - 2) Yashodhara.
 - 3) Significance of the title 'The Burning of Paper instead of Children'.
 - 4) Attributes of a 'Phenomenal Woman'.
 - 5) Mysticism in Akka Maha Devi.
 - 6) The fate of Yasodhara.
 - 7) The colonial anguish in 'My Story'.
 - 8) Narration in 'Small Remedies.
 - 9) Mother-child relationship in 'My Mother Said I Never Should'.
 - 10) Woman's Theatre.

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