



'समानो मन्त्रः समितिः समानी'

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**  
B.A. Programme 1st Semester Examination, 2022

**DSC1/2-P1-ENGLISH**

**INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**Answer any five of the following questions**

12×5 = 60

1. (a) Examine the appropriateness of the title of 'Joothan'.

**OR**

(b) What 'decisive turn' did Valmiki's father give to the boy's future?

2. (a) Consider 'Still I Rise' as a poem of protest.

**OR**

(b) Critically appreciate 'Still I Rise'.

3. (a) Justify the title of Ismat Chughtai's 'Kallu'.

**OR**

(b) Ismat Chughtai's 'Kallu' proves that people's attitudes are dictated by money. —  
Discuss.

4. (a) Consider 'Shakespeare's Sister' as a feminist text.

**OR**

(b) Examine the appropriateness of the title of 'Shakespeare's Sister.'

5. (a) Analyse the significance of the exercise book in Uma's life with reference to 'The Exercise Book'.

**OR**

(b) Evaluate the character of Pyarimohan in Tagore's 'The Exercise Book'.

6. (a) Critically appreciate 'General, Your Tank is a Powerful Vehicle.'

**OR**

(b) Consider 'General, Your Tank is a Powerful Vehicle' as a poem of political resistance to war.

7. (a) Discuss the theme of communal violence in 'The Ghosts of Mrs. Gandhi' by Amitav Ghosh.

**OR**

- (b) Describe the bus ride in which a possible victim of the riot is saved by fellow passengers.

8. (a) Critically discuss the theme of Naomi Klein's 'The Brand Expands.'

**OR**

- (b) Comment on the adverse effects of advertisements as discussed in 'The Brand Expands'.

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