English Literature B.A. Part III

The Syllabus aims at achieving the following objectives:

- 1. Interpretation and appreciation of selected texts from the genres of poetry, drama, prose and fiction.
- 2. Strengthening skills of note making, summarizing and dialogue writing.
- 3. Understanding texts with specific reference to genres, forms and literary terms.

Paper I: Poetry and Drama

Maximum Marks: 100 Min. Pass Marks: 36

Duration: 3 hrs

Question No. 1: References to Context from section A, B & C.

Candidate will be required to explain four (4) passages of Reference to Context out of Eight (8) of five marks each, with a total of 20 Marks.

Question No. 2: Will also be compulsory. The student will be required to attempt 5 questions out of 10, to be answered in about 5 lines each. Each question will carry 4 marks to a total of 20 Marks.

The other 3 questions will be essay – type questions of 20 marks each, one from each section with internal choice.

SECTION A

The following poems from String of Gold part III edited by Jasbir Jain (Macmillan):

Tennyson: Ulysses

R. Browning: My last Duchess

M. Arnold : Dover Beach

G.M. Hopkins: The Sea and the Skylark

W.B. Yeats : A Prayer for my Daughter

T.S. Eliot : Preludes

SECTION B

The following poems from *Texts and Their Worlds* Edited by Anna Kurian, Foundation Books, 2005.

Kalidas, Bhavabhuti, Bhartrahari: Is Poetry Always Worthy When it's Old?

Syed Amanuddin : Don't Call Me Indo-Anglian

R. Parthasarathy : From Homecoming

Agyeya : Hiroshima

M. Gopalkrishna Adiga : Do Something, Brother

Eunice D' Souza : Women in Dutch Painting

O. N. V. Kurup : Earthen Pots

A. Jayaprabha : Stares

Daya Pawar

Oh Great Poet

Sitakant Mahapatra

:

The Election

SECTION C

Grish Karnad

Tughlaq

George Bernard Shaw

Arms and the Man

Paper II: Prose and Fiction

Maximum Marks: 100

Min. Pass Marks: 36

Duration: 3 Hrs

Candidate will be required to answer five (5) essay type questions of 20 marks each, choosing at least one question from each section, out of 10 essay type questions.

SECTION A

The following essays from An Anthology of English Essays ed. R.P. Singh Oxford (O.U.P.)

J.B.S. Haldane

Science and Human Life

A.L. Basham

The Heritage of India

C.V. Raman

Water

Francis Bacon

Of Studies

Kanchan Ilaiha

Why I am not a Hindu (from Texts and Their Worlds edited

by Anna Kurian)

The following short stories from Texts and Their Worlds edited by Anna Kurian. Foundation Books, 2005;

Munshi Premchand : The Shroud

Ismat Chugtal : Roots

V.M. Basheer : Birthday

Shashi Deshande : My Beloved Charioteer

Ambai : A Kitchen in the Corner of House

SECTION B

R.K. Narayan : The Guide

Charlotte Bronte : Jane Eyre

SECTION C

1) A Short Passage of about 10 simple sentence to be translated from Hindi to English.

2) Editing a short text (Grammaticality, Logicality, Coherence)

3) Literary History of the Victorian Age

Recommended Reading:

Vandana R.Singh : The Written Word (O.U.P.)

W.H. Hudson : An outline History of English Literature

B. Prasad : Background to the study English Literature