



**COOCH BEHAR PANCHANAN BARMA UNIVERSITY**  
B.A. Programme 1st Semester Examinations, 2022

**ENGLISH**

**THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY**

**DSC (GROUP-1)**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

1. Answer any **one** question from the following:

15×1 = 15

- (a) Bring out the significance of the Exercise book for the protagonist in Tagore's "The Exercise Book".
- (b) Explain "Joothan" as a document of the long silenced and long-denied sufferings of the Dalits.
- (c) Discuss Wilfred Owen as a war poet with reference to the poem in your syllabus.
- (d) Narrate the personal agony of the poet in the poem "Bosom Friend".
- (e) How does Sadat Hasan Manto use the character of "The Dog of Tetwal" to represent the prevailing crisis in people who are displaced by the partition?
- (f) Comment on the poem "Breaking Out" as a representation of the mid-twentieth century America.
- (g) Illustrate the theme of gender in the poem "Marriages Are Made".
- (h) What is the significance of Colour portrayed in the short story "Yellow Fish"?

2. Answer any **one** question from the following:

10×1 = 10

- (a) Comment on the hollowness of a male dominated society in the short story "The Exercise Book".
- (b) Mention the sufferings of the soldiers depicted in the poem "Dulce et Decorum Est".
- (c) What is the significance of the title of the poem "Bosom Friend"?
- (d) How does Sadat Hasan Manto represent the theme of conflict in "The Dog of Tetwal"?
- (e) Narrate the transformation of the young girl in the poem "Breaking Out".
- (f) What view of marriage does the poem "Marriages Are Made" represent?
- (g) Portray the suffering of a mother from the text "Yellow Fish".

3. Answer any *one* question from the following:

5×1 = 5

- (a) Discuss the role of Madhab in "Joothan".
- (b) What is the meaning of the title of the poem "Dulce et Decorum Est"?
- (c) Depict the conflict of emotion and insanity in "Yellow Fish".

4. Answer any *ten* questions from the following:

1×10 = 10

- (a) What does the word 'Joothan' mean?
- (b) Who is the brother of the protagonist in Tagore's "The Exercise Book"?
- (c) Who is the victim of society in the poem "Marriages Are Made"?
- (d) Name the mythical character described in the poem "Breaking Out".
- (e) Who has helped to arrange the food in "Bosom Friend"?
- (f) What is the old lie in Wilfred Owen's text?
- (g) Who is Arun in "Yellow Fish"?
- (h) What was the name of the Pakistani soldier in "The Dog of Tetwal"?
- (i) Where is the story of "Yellow Fish" set?
- (j) Why is the sight 'helpless' in Dulce et Decorum Est?
- (k) What do you understand by 'dalit'? Answer in one sentence.
- (l) What is the profession of the husband in "Yellow Fish"?

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