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ENGLISH : STREAM A— Paper III
(Poems, Play, Novel and Composition)

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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Attempt all questions.

SECTION A

1. Choose any *two* of the following passages and answer the questions that follow:

- (a) For I have learned
To look on nature, not as in the hour
Of thoughtless youth; but hearing oftentimes
The still, sad music of humanity,

(i) Name the poem and the poet.

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- (ii) What has the poet "learned"? 2
- (iii) Explain 'still sad music of humanity'. 2
- (b) This grew; I gave commands;
Then all smiles stopped together. There she
As if alive. Will't please you rise? We'll meet
The company below, then. stands
- (i) Name the poem and the poet. 2
- (ii) Who is 'she' referred to in the poem? 2
- (iii) What were the 'commands' and who gave them? 2
- (c) But I should be quite willing to assume every
Of wealth if I could at the same time assume
Every blessing curse
- (i) Name the poem and the poet. 2
- (ii) What 'curse' is the poet talking about? 2
- (iii) What are the 'blessings' that according to the poet money can buy? 2

SECTION B

2. Choose any *one* of the following passages and answer the questions that follow :

- (a) Danger knows full well
That Caesar is more dangerous than he.
We are two lions litter'd in one day,

And I the elder and more terrible,
And Caesar shall go forth.

- (i) Who is the speaker? Explain the context. 4
- (ii) Explain the reference to 'two lions'. 4
- (iii) Bring out the consequences of Caesar's decision. 5
- (b) What is that you would impart to me?
If it aught towards the general good,
Set honour in one eye, and death in the other,
And I will look on both indifferently :
- (i) Identify the speaker and bring out the context. 4
- (ii) Do you think the speaker is justified in making the above statement? Do his actions prove the above statement? 4
- (iii) Who is the 'you' in the above statement and what are his intentions? 5

SECTION C

3. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

- (i) The Co-operative Bank
- (ii) The Red Lotus
- (iii) The final meeting between Margayya and Dr. Pal
- (iv) 10, Market Road. 5+5

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4. *The Financial Expert* is a humorous mix of superstition, realism and human nature. Discuss.

Or

Discuss the female characters in the novel *The Financial Expert*. 15

5. Was Brutus 'an honourable man'? Discuss.

Or

Discuss the role of the mob in *Julius Caesar*. 15

6. What is Whitman's philosophy as put forward in his poem 'Song of Myself'?

Or

Why does Donne say that death should not be proud? Discuss. 15

7. Write an essay in about 350 words on any *one* of the following topics :

- (a) Games bring out the best and the worst in humans.
- (b) The young hold the key to prosperity of the country.
- (c) Honesty is no more the best policy.
- (d) Saving the environment.
- (e) Influence of the West on the young. 20