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ENGLISH DISCIPLINE—Paper III

(Post Colonial Literature)

**(Admissions of 2005/2006 and onwards in respect of
students of Regular Colleges/NCWEB)**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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This paper contains *three* Sections (A), (B) and (C).

All three sections are compulsory.

Answer *all* the questions.

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Section A

1. Answer parts (a) and (b). Each part carries 10 marks.

(a) Place these lines in their context, explain them and add critical comments :

Either

(i) 'So they gave you fifty pesos for the cage :

'Sixty,' said Balthazar.

'Score one for you', someone said. 'You're the only one who has managed to get such a pile of money out of Mr Chepe Montiel. We have to celebrate.' They bought him a beer, and Balthazar responded with a round for everybody. Since it was the first time he had ever been out drinking, by dusk he was completely drunk, and he was talking about a fabulous project of a thousand cages, at sixty pesos each, and then a million cages, till he had sixty million pesos.

Or

(ii) I opened my eyes again. The match-flame singed my lashes.

Suddenly he let go. 'No. They're not blue. Excuse me.'

And he disappeared.

(b) Place these lines in their context. explain them and add critical comments :

Either

(i) A sudden fury rose within him and he felt a strong desire to take up his machet, go to the church, and wipe out the entire vile and miscreant gang. But on further thought he told himself that Nwoye was not worth fighting for. Why, he cried in his heart, should he, Okonkwo, of all people, be cursed with such a son ?

B.

(ii) The Commissioner did not understand what Obierika meant when he said, "Perhaps your men will help us." One of the most infuriating habits of these people was their love of superfluous words, he thought.

Obierika with five or six others led the way. The Commissioner and his men followed, their firearms at the ready. He had warned Obierika that if he and his men tried any monkey tricks, they would be shot.

Section B

Answer all three questions in this section . 10+10+5 = 25

2. Write a short note on :

Either

(i) 'Tonight I can Write' shows that Neruda is both romantic and realistic. Do you agree? ?

Or

- (ii) How do you interpret the mermaid's return to the river in the poem, 'The Mermaid and the Drunks' ? 10

3. Write a short note on :

Either

- (i) How far was the trial conducted by the medical experts successful in solving the problem of the disturbances caused by Mookken's long nose ?

Or

- (ii) Is Mary's position as neither quite part of the Oraon community nor quite separate from it an advantage to her or not ? Discuss. 10

4. Write a brief note on

Either

- (i) What is the significance of Ngugi's choice of Gikuyu as a mode of creative expression ?

Or

- (ii) "And then I went to school. a colonial school and this harmony was broken :

What "harmony" does Ngugi refer to and how did the colonial school break it ? 5

Section C

Answer both questions in this section : 15-15:30

5. Write an essay on :

Either

- (i) Leela Benare may have sinned against conventional norms but she is far less vicious and hypocritical than the society that condemns her. Do you agree ?

Or

- (ii) Discuss how far Leela's Benare's final speech is an effective ending to the play *Silence ! The Court is in Session.* 15

6. Write an essay on :

Either

(i) Show how Tehmul is a central character in the novel *Such a Long Journey*.

Or

(ii) In *Such a Long Journey*, Major Bilimoria and Gustad each harmed the other despite their sincere friendship. Explain and comment. 15