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Your Roll No.

Concurrent Course for Hon. Prog. C

(Language Credit Course)

ENGLISH

Time: 2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 38

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on receipt of this question paper.)*

Section – A : Answer any **three** reference to the context
out of six. ($6 \times 3 = 18$)

Section – B : Answer any **two** long questions out of
five. ($10 \times 2 = 20$)

SECTION A

(Answer Any Three $6 \times 3 = 18$)

1. (a) I did not even know that the British Empire is dying, still less did I know that it is a great deal better than the younger empires that are going to supplant it. All I knew was that I was stuck between my hatred of the empire I served and my rage against the evil-spirited little beasts who tried to make my job impossible.

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- (i) What is the narrator's occupation and what is it about the empire that he is unaware of? (2)
- (ii) Who are the 'evil-spirited little beasts' being described by the narrator and how do they make his job impossible? (4)
- (b) But winter ends and grief does pass. As I had reclaimed my house and made it my own again, so I slowly reclaimed my life.
- (i) State some of the possible reasons for the speaker's grief. (2)
- (ii) How does the speaker reclaim her home and make it hers again? (4)
- (c) Subhash : If you have set your heart on it, then there is nothing more to discuss. But this is a matter that doesn't affect just you and me. It affects the whole family. We will have to take everyone's opinion.
- (i) Who is Subhash speaking to and what upsets him? (2)
- (ii) Despite the initial resistance, Subhash has a change of heart. What does this tell you about his character? (4)

(d) I will not waste my soul and my strength for this.
What do I care for all that they do amiss!

What is the point of this teaching of mine, and of
this Learning of theirs ? It all goes down the same
abyss.

(i) What is the narrator's occupation and why
is he unwilling to waste his 'soul' and
'strength' ? (2)

(ii) Explain the phrase 'go down the abyss.'
(4)

(e) So hack and chop

But this alone won't do it.

Not so much pain will do it.

(i) Identify the poem and the poet. (2)

(ii) What will the hacking and chopping not do ?
Why ? (4)

(f) O what is that sound

which so thrills the ear

Down in the valley

drumming, drumming ?

(i) Identify the poet and the poem. (2)

(ii) What are the 'sounds' and why do they
thrill ? (4)

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SECTION B

2. Answer any **two** of the following in 200-250 words : (10×2=20)

- (i) Analyse the 'Stench of Kerosene' as a critique of the Indian social system.
- (ii) Discuss the significance of the violent images and metaphors used to describe autumn in Faiz Ahmed Faiz's 'When Autumn Came'.
- (iii) Can Chief Seathl's Simple Philosophy as stated in his letter be read as the plea of an environmentalist? How?
- (iv) John Aristotle Phillips is graded an 'A' for his term dissertation. Discuss the implications of his easy-to-use manual on bomb making in the light of recent talks on nuclear armament.
- (v) 'The Brute' exposes the frailties of human character in a very amusing way. Discuss the transitions in the characters of Mrs. Popov and Smirnov in the light of this statement.