

BHQ/M-20

16058

ENGLISH

(Indian Writing in English-II)

Paper–XV

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Attempt all questions.

1. (a) Explain with reference to the context :

There is a house now far away where once
I received love That woman died,
The house withdraw into silence, snakes moved
Among books I was then too young.
To read, and my blood turned cold like the moon.

OR

Yes, this is

A noon for wild men, wild thoughts, wild love, To Be
here, far away, is torture. Wild feet stirring up the dust,
this hot noon, at my Home in Malabar, and I so far
away 6

(b) Read the following passage and answer the questions
given at the end of the passage :

All that I have is yours, my boy. Everything that I have
will come to you : who else is there ? to whom I can
pass these on after my time ?

Questions :

- (i) Who is the speaker of these lines ?
- (ii) Whom is the speaker trying to convince and about what ?
- (iii) Use 'else' in your own sentence.

OR

I don't want all that I am not concerned with all that – how you pay or what you do. You may perhaps pledge your life or your wife's sarees. It is none of my concern : all that I want to know is whether you are paying an instalment now or not ?

Questions :

- (i) Who is the speaker of the lines ?
- (ii) What advise is being given for paying an instalment ?
- (iii) Use 'pledge' in your own sentence. 6

2. Write short answers of any *six* of the following :

- (a) Male Domination in "The Sunshine Cat".
- (b) What is the theme of the poem 'A Hot Noon In Malabar' ?
- (c) What is the central idea of the poem "My Grandmother's House" ?
- (d) Imagery in "The Freaks".
- (e) Write a short note on Balu's childhood.

- (f) Write a note on the Lakshmi Puja or worship of Goddess Lakshmi in “The Financial Expert”.
- (g) Margayya's occupation in the beginning of ‘The Financial Expert’.
- (h) Comment on the element of evil in “The Financial Expert.” (6×4=24)

3. Answer any *two* selecting at least *one* from each text :

- (a) Justify the title of the novel “The Financial Expert”.
- (b) Bring out from within the novel Narayan's characteristic irony.
- (c) Comment on the diction in Kamala Das's poetry. (2×7=14)

4. Examine “My Grandmother's House” as a poem expressing the writer's sense of deprivation.

OR

“Kamala Das finds women's exploring all means of liberation but finding none at last”. Discuss. 15

5. Attempt a comprehensive note on the major themes in “The Financial Expert”.

OR

“The character of Margayya is symbolic”, substantiate. 15
