

## WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Honours/Programme 2nd Semester Examination, 2019



## ENGHGEC02T/ENGGCOR02T-ENGLISH (GE2/DSC2)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

1. Answer any *three* of the following questions within 400 words each:

 $15 \times 3 = 45$ 

- (a) Would you consider "Karukku" to be a significant Dalit autobiography? Give reasons for your answer.
- (b) Critically analyse F.M. Shinde's poem "Habit" as a critique of the passivity of Dalits.
- (c) How does Padma Sachdev establish her identity and by implication the identity of many others writing in regional languages in "Mother Tongue"?
- (d) What does Raja Rao say about language and style in the context of Indian English literature? Answer with reference to the author's Preface to Kanthapura.
- (e) Which elements of Dalit poetry do you find in Rajkumar's "Dancing Kobra Eyes"?
- 2. Attempt any *one* of the following within 200 words:

 $5 \times 1 = 5$ 

- (a) Write a short note on the narrator of Raja Rao's Kanthapura.
- (b) Describe the experience of Bama in the High School with reference to Karukku.
- (c) "As the vengeful furies

I will terrorize you and follow you."

-Annotate and explain.

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