

SET B

Unique Paper Code: 62034101

Name of the Paper: Selections from *The Individual and Society: Essays, Stories and Poems*

Name of the Course: B.A. (Prog.) English Discipline

Semester: I

Time Limit: 3 + 1 (one hour reserved for downloading of Question Paper, scanning and uploading of Answer Sheets)

Marks: 75

Students will attempt any FOUR questions.

Answers are to be written in about 400-600 words.

Q 1. A woman's desire to read and write threatens the power dynamics of a patriarchal world. Do you agree? Illustrate your answer based on your readings in the section on 'Gender.' (18.75)

Q 2. How does the poem *Dulce et Decorum Est* undermine the idealism associated with war and convey its horror? (18.75)

Q 3. Maya Angelou's *Still I Rise* is a statement of protest against the oppressive forces of gender, race and poverty. Discuss. (18.75)

Q 4. Discuss the significance of the title of Premchand's *Deliverance* with special reference to the author's use of irony. (18.75)

Q 5. With reference to any two texts in the caste unit, comment on how the writers present a critique of the caste system in India. (18.75)

Q 6. Discuss at least two instances of exceptional courage that Amitav Ghosh describes in the essay *The Ghosts of Mrs. Gandhi*. (18.75)