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**SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2019**

English (B.Com./B.B.A.)

ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY

(2014 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions. Each question carries 1 mark :

1. What is the advice that Dr. Ali gives to restore ecological balance ?
  - (a) Control procreation.
  - (b) Limit nature exploitation.
  - (c) Plant more trees.
  - (d) Judicious use of resources.
2. Orology is the scientific study of :
  - (a) Earth's crust.
  - (b) Mineral deposits.
  - (c) Underground water levels.
  - (d) Growth of mountains.
3. Gudipat Venkat Chalam is a major figure in :
  - (a) Tamil literature.
  - (b) Telugu literature.
  - (c) Kannada literature.
  - (d) Odiya literature.
4. AIDS stands for :
  - (a) Acquired Immunity Deficiency Syndrome.
  - (b) Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.
  - (c) Acquired Immune Deficit Syndrome.
  - (d) Attained Immune Deficit Syndrome.
5. Who is known as 'the Birdman of India' ?
  - (a) Dr. Rajendra Prasad.
  - (b) Gudipat Venkat Chalam.
  - (c) Dr. Salim Ali.
  - (d) Amartya Sen.
6. What is the imperialist motto referred to by Dr. Rajendra Prasad in his essay ?
  - (a) Wealth is might.
  - (b) Wealth is power.
  - (c) Might is right.
  - (d) Might is power.
7. 'Sigma, Shame and Silence' is an extract from Kalpana Jain's book :
  - (a) Patient's Lives.
  - (b) Positive Losses.
  - (c) Positive Lives.
  - (d) Praised Losses.

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8 Kochu Rappai was :

- (a) Mentally handicapped. (b) An imbecile by birth.  
(c) Physically handicapped. (d) Both (a) and (b).

9 The narrative technique used in the story 'Widow' is :

- (a) Interior Monologue. (b) Metafiction.  
(c) Dramatic monologue. (d) Illustration.

10 WWW is :

- (a) World Wide War. (b) World Wide Website.  
(c) World Weather Watch. (d) World Wide Wrestling.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any *ten* questions. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 11 What are the two aspects of the food and agrarian crisis in India consequent on economic globalization ?
- 12 What has been the result of aggressive egoism in the West ?
- 13 Enumerate the climatic peculiarities seen the subcontinent.
- 14 How has advanced technology boomeranged on man himself while trying to cater to the burgeoning population ?
- 15 How does man overcome environmental problems differently from animals ?
- 16 What are the factors which make atmospheric circulation complex ?
- 17 How do you interpret the usage "missing women" ?
- 18 What explanations for neglect of women are generally presented or assumed by sociologist ?
- 19 What is the narrative technique used by Gudipati Venkat Chalam in the story 'Widow' ?
- 20 How did the widow shield her annaya in their youth ?
- 21 What is meant by ecological balance ?
- 22 What bold decision did Ouseph take when marriage proposals began for James and Thobias ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

- 23 Write a paragraph on India's culture strength.
- 24 Discuss briefly the intellectual and physical levels at which man overcomes environmental problems.
- 25 How does research refute the prevailing belief on women - to - men ratio ?

- 26 The role of international co-operation in solving global climatic problems.
- 27 The Veega Land anecdote involving KR.
- 28 How did Ouseph pave for the redemption of his 'gift of God' ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 29 Examine in detail the trade liberalization package in the context of economic globalization.
- 30 How does E.K. Federov present the problem of climatic change as the major challenge to human survival on planet ?
- 31 The reality of stigma, shame and resultant silence thrust upon HIV patients as portrayed by Kalpana Jain.
- 32 Write a critical appreciation of the story 'Widow' by Gudipat Venkat Chalam portraying the plight of widows in India.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)