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**SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021**

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 Vandana Shiva compares globalisation with a \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Tsunami. (b) Rising tide.  
 (c) Falling tide. (d) None of these.
- 2 Which is the federal script of India ?  
 (a) Devanagari. (b) English.  
 (c) French. (d) None of these.
- 3 Who among the following is known as the “Birdman of India” ?  
 (a) Vandana Shiva. (b) Dr. Salim Ali.  
 (c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad. (d) Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.
- 4 WWW in Federov’s essay stands for \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) World War Watch. (b) World Weather Watch.  
 (c) World Working Wing. (d) Western Water war.
- 5 How old is the widow in the story ?  
 (a) 16. (b) 20.  
 (c) 18. (d) 17.
- 6 What will be the punishment the widow has to face when her pregnancy is revealed ?  
 (a) Soodithalu. (b) Kalagni.  
 (c) Ostracism. (d) None of these.
- 7 Which of the following Asian country has got higher women ratio ?  
 (a) China. (b) Pakistan.  
 (c) Japan. (d) India.

Turn over

- 8 The lessons *Stigma Shame and Silence* and “Yes I am Happy ! Don’t You Believe ?” enrich your understanding in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Human rights issues. (b) Gender Issues.  
(c) Environmental Issues. (d) None of the above.
- 9 Ashok, the victim in “Stigma Shame and Silence” was a \_\_\_\_\_ in Navy.
- (a) Cook. (b) Instructor.  
(c) Radio Operator. (d) None of the above.
- 10 Who believes that Rappai is the basic element of their prosperity ?
- (a) Ouseph. (b) Thobias.  
(c) Santhosh thooval. (d) James.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

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

- 11 What are the suggestions made by Shiva to stimulate the dreams of Indian farmers ?
- 12 According to Vandana Shiva, what is the source of our human identity ?
- 13 How did India win the hearts of the other people ?
- 14 What causes ecological imbalance ?
- 15 What does Salim Ali say about the desiccation in North India ?
- 16 What is Federov’s definition of climate ?
- 17 What is the narrative technique used in the story, ‘Widow’ ?
- 18 List out the two simplistic explanations presented to account for the neglect of women.
- 19 What is the fate of women in most of Asia and North Africa ?
- 20 How did Ashok react to the doctor’s blunt revelation ?
- 21 How was Rappai treated in the family ?
- 22 What does the article, “Yes I am Happy! Don’t You Believe ?” deal with ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

- 23 “India is not a nation ; it is a collection of Nations”. Explain.
- 24 What are the three strategies recommended by E.K. Federov to stop irreversible climatic changes ?
- 25 What does the widow mean by ‘a sin exclusive to us’ ?
- 26 How did Ashok manage at the end ?

- 27 What is the need for Environmental consciousness in agricultural fields ?
- 28 How does Amartya Sen relate women's 'gainful employment' to variable change in their destiny ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

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

- 29 How does Vandana Shiva demonstrate impact of Globalization on vulnerable sections of society ?
- 30 Write an essay on Salim Ali's views on the relationship between man and nature.
- 31 How can women's deal be improved especially in the Third World countries as proposed by Dr. Amartya Sen ?
- 32 How does the article "Yes I am Happy! Don't You Believe ?" relevant in the contemporary social scenario ?

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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**Common Course—English**

**ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY**

**(2014—2016 Admissions)**

**Time : Three Hours**

**Maximum : 80 Marks**

**I. Answer the following bunches of questions :**

1 \_\_\_\_\_ was described as 'a rising tide that will raise all boats'.

- (a) Globalisation. (b) Liberalisation.  
(c) Privatisation. (d) None of these.

2 Who inscribed this 'If paradise be on earth, it is here, it is here' ?

- (a) Akbar. (b) Shah Jahan.  
(c) Rajendra Prasad. (d) None of these.

3 Who among the following is known as the "Birdman of India" ?

- (a) Vandana Shiva. (b) Dr.Salim Ali.  
(c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad. (d) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

4 WWW in Federov's essay stands for \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) World War Watch. (b) World Weather Watch.  
(c) World Working Wing. (d) Western Water war.

5 Gudipat Venkat Chalam is a \_\_\_\_\_ writer.

- (a) Telugu. (b) Kannada.  
(c) Bengali. (d) Japanese.

6 What is the sin the widow has committed ?

- (a) Adultery. (b) Treachery.  
(c) Cheating. (d) None of these.

**Turn over**

- 7 Which of the following Asian country has got higher women ratio ?
- (a) China. (b) Pakistan.  
(c) Japan. (d) India.
- 8 The lessons *Stigma Shame and Silence* and "Yes I am Happy ! Don't You Believe ?" enrich your understanding in \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Human rights issues. (b) Gender Issues.  
(c) Environmental Issues. (d) None of the above.
- 9 Where was Ashok sent for Western Blot test ?
- (a) Command Hospital, Pune. (b) Command Hospital, Mumbai.  
(c) Military Hospital, Lahore. (d) Government Hospital, Chennai.
- 10 Tobias and family in "Yes, I'm Happy, Don't You Believe ?" are \_\_\_\_\_ dealers in Thrissure.
- (a) Arecanut. (b) Gold.  
(c) Rice. (d) Gems.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any ten questions :

- 11 What is 'seed replacement' ?
- 12 What are the suggestions made by Shiva to stimulate the dreams of Indian farmers ?
- 13 How did India win the hearts of the other people ?
- 14 What causes ecological imbalance ?
- 15 What does Salim Ali say about the desiccation in North India ?
- 16 What do human beings often tend to forget when engaging in large scale development activities ?
- 17 What is the narrative technique used in the story, 'Widow' ?
- 18 List out the two simplistic explanations presented to account for the neglect of women ?
- 19 What are the specific instances of bias against women that the US and Japan display ?
- 20 How does Ashok realise the syndrome first ?
- 21 How was Rappai treated in the family ?
- 22 What does the article, "Yes I am Happy ! Don't You Believe ?" deal with ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words :

- 23 Why does Dr. Rajendra Prasad suggest modification of the moral consciousness ?
- 24 What is the need for Environmental consciousness in agricultural fields ?
- 25 What does the widow mean by 'a sin exclusive to us' ?
- 26 How did Ashok manage at the end ?
- 27 Impact of Globalization on Culture ?
- 28 What are the two kinds of factors that cause the climate to change over long periods of time ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 How does Vandana Shiva demonstrate impact of Globalization on vulnerable sections of society ?
- 30 How does E.K. Federov present the problem of climatic change as a major challenge to human life on Earth ?
- 31 How can women's deal be improved especially in the Third World countries as proposed by Dr. Amartya Sen ?
- 32 How does the article "Yes I am Happy ! Don't You Believe ?" relevant in the contemporary social scenario ?

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**Common Course**

**ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY**

**Time : Three Hours**

**Maximum : 80 Marks**

**I. Answer the questions by choosing the right options given below :**

- 1 Which disease has gone up for women and children according to the National Family Health Survey ?
  - (a) Hepatitis.
  - (b) Lukemia.
  - (c) Anaemia.
  - (d) Tuberculosis.
- 2 Name the book written by Amy Chua :
  - (a) White Tiger.
  - (b) World on Fire.
  - (c) The Fall of a Sparrow.
  - (d) The Serpent and the Rope.
- 3 In which of the following places do we find the dry arid climate ?
  - (a) Guwahati.
  - (b) Shimla.
  - (c) Chandigadh.
  - (d) Jaiselmer.
- 4 Who is known as the 'Birdman of India' ?
  - (a) Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.
  - (b) Dr. B R Ambedkar.
  - (c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad.
  - (d) Dr. Salim Ali.
- 5 Which of the following is a direct outcome of deforestation ?
  - (a) Increase in wild life.
  - (b) Population explosion.
  - (c) Lesser rainfall.
  - (d) Increase in mortality rate.
- 6 Approximately one thousand years ago, the temperature of the \_\_\_\_\_ region was higher than it is today.
  - (a) West Asia.
  - (b) North Polar.
  - (c) Sub Sahara.
  - (d) South America.

**Turn over**

- 7 Whose story was narrated to the widow when she was a child by her father ?
- (a) Cinderella. (b) Aesop.  
(c) *Panchathantra*. (d) Arabian Nights.
- 8 In which year did Amartya Sen receive the Nobel Prize ?
- (a) 1989. (b) 1984.  
(c) 1998. (d) 1991.
- 9 What was the job of Ashok ?
- (a) Medical Officer in the ship. (b) Captain in the ship.  
(c) Receptionist at Naval Hospital. (d) Radio Operator in Navy.
- 10 What was the happy occasion for Kochu Rappai and other family members in September 2013 ?
- (a) 60th Birthday celebration. (b) Visit to the amusement Park.  
(c) Opening of the new shop. (d) Wedding Anniversary.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any *ten* questions :

- 11 What is the agenda of the World Bank ?
- 12 Explicate the term 'culture'.
- 13 How does the *Sruthi* view self gratification and renunciation ?
- 14 Define Ecological Balance.
- 15 What has happened to the pinheaded duck in India ?
- 16 How does Federov define climate ?
- 17 What led to the extinction of the human settlements in Greenland ?
- 18 What is the public humiliation the widow is forced to undergo ?
- 19 What do you mean by "gainful" employment ?
- 20 Explain the title "More than 100 Million Women Are Missing".
- 21 What was the shocking news that the Doctor delivered to Ashok in the hospital ?
- 22 How does Kochu Rappai become a special person ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :

23. What are the problems of seed replacement ?
24. What are the different types of climate one can experience while travelling across India ?
25. The distribution of the Great Indian Rhinoceros.
26. Describe the widow's family.
27. How can "gainful" employment uplift women ?
28. Ashok's life in the hospital.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

29. Describe the types of diversities in India that Dr. Rajendra Prasad points out in his essay ?
30. What are the effects of human existence on nature ?
31. Make a critical assessment of the protagonist in the story 'Widow'.
32. Examine how apt is the title "Stigma, Shame and Silence" for Ashok's story.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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Common Course

ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :

- 1 What, according to Vandana Shiva, was heralded as 'a rising tide that will raise all boats' ?
  - (a) Economic globalization.
  - (b) Communism.
  - (c) Feudalism.
  - (d) Colonialism.
- 2 Two aspects of food and agrarian crisis in India are the epidemic of \_\_\_\_\_ and increase in hunger.
  - (a) Unemployment of middle class.
  - (b) Real estate crisis.
  - (c) Farmer's suicide.
  - (d) Illiteracy.
- 3 According to Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the Cultural Unity of India is based on an eternal \_\_\_\_\_ current.
  - (a) Ethical.
  - (b) Financial.
  - (c) Economic.
  - (d) Religious.
- 4 According to Dr. Rajendra Prasad our culture is rooted in the principle of :
  - (a) Pride.
  - (b) Charity.
  - (c) Non-violence.
  - (d) Aggression.
- 5 Thobias and family in "Yes, I am Happy, Don't You Believe ?" are \_\_\_\_\_ dealers in Thrissur.
  - (a) Arecanut.
  - (b) Rice.
  - (c) Gold.
  - (d) Gems.

Turn over

6. What according, to Salim Ali, permits man to exercise his expertise as a creator of deserts on a global scale ?
- (a) Invention of fire.
  - (b) Motor vehicles.
  - (c) Communication and technology.
  - (d) Railway.
7. According to Federov, during the last several hundred million years, the normal climate of the Earth was much more:
- (a) Heterogeneous.
  - (b) Homogeneous.
  - (c) Irregular.
  - (d) Diverse.
8. In 'Widow', Mangamma is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the protagonist.
- (a) Mother.
  - (b) Sister.
  - (c) Friend.
  - (d) Sister-in-law.
9. Which Indian state has high women to men ratio similar to that in Europe, North America and Japan ?
- (a) Delhi.
  - (b) Kerala.
  - (c) Punjab.
  - (d) Haryana.
10. Ashok, in 'Stigma, Shame and Silence' was a \_\_\_\_\_ in the Navy.
- (a) Radio operator.
  - (b) Pilot.
  - (c) Doctor.
  - (d) Petty officer.

(10 × 1= 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any *ten* questions :

- 11. Why does Vandana Shiva compare economic globalisation to a tsunami ?
- 12. Why did the consumer price of wheat rise in India after economic globalisation ?
- 13. What is the metaphor used by Dr. Rajendra Prasad to reflect India's Diversity ?
- 14. According to Salim Ali, how did the improvements in communication and technology affect ecology ?
- 15. What caused the widespread extinction in the range of lion in India ?
- 16. Give *two* examples pointed out by Federov, which show that modern man is less constrained by natural environment ?

- 17 What is the narrative technique used by Gudipat Venkat Chalam in the story 'Widow' ?
- 18 What is the dogma that the widow revolts against ?
- 19 What does Amartya Sen mean by the phrase 'missing women' ?
- 20 What are the two simplistic explanations for neglect of women assumed by sociologists?
- 21 In 'Stigma, Shame and Silence' what was Ashok's hobby in childhood ?
- 22 According to Ashok in 'Stigma, Shame and Silence', the people living with HIV needed to be educated on:

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :

- 23 Discuss the impact of economic globalisation on the vulnerable section of society.
- 24 Write a note on Salim Ali's view on the origin of ecological imbalance.
- 25 What, according to Federov, facilitated voyage from Europe to Greenland? What lead to its extinction ?
- 26 What is the problem of the widow in the story ?
- 27 Discuss the resolution proposed by Amartya Sen to improve Women's status.
- 28 Social reactions to AIDS patients as revealed in "Stigma, Shame and Silence".

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 Examine Vandana Shiva's arguments on the trade liberalization package in the context of Economic Globalisation.
- 30 How does E. K. Federov present the problem of climatic changes as a major challenge to human survival on the planet ?
- 31 How does the widow revolt against the religious dogma of isolating women when husband die ?
- 32 The reality of the stigma, shame and the resultant silence thrust upon HIV patients as portrayed by Kalpana Jain.

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Common Course—English

ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :—

- 1 Who among the following is a physicist ?
  - (a) Vandana Shiva.
  - (b) Dr. Rajendraprasad.
  - (c) Kalpana Jain.
  - (d) None of these.
- 2 What is the cause of the rise in the price of wheat in India according to Government ?
  - (a) Low seed quality.
  - (b) Cultivation expenses.
  - (c) Low production.
  - (d) None of these.
- 3 Who among the following was honoured by the Indian government with Bharat Ratna ?
  - (a) Vandana Shiva.
  - (b) Venkat Chalam.
  - (c) Rajendra Prasad.
  - (d) All these persons.
- 4 From which of the following is 'Enjoy that which has been given unto you by him' is taken ?
  - (a) Gitanjali.
  - (b) Iqbal's poem.
  - (c) Sruthi.
  - (d) None of these.
- 5 Which of the following is Salim Ali's autobiography ?
  - (a) The Birdman.
  - (b) The Fall of a Sparrow.
  - (c) Myself and Birds.
  - (d) None of these.
- 6 Federov mentions voyages from Europe to ————.
  - (a) Asia.
  - (b) Iceland.
  - (c) Greenland.
  - (d) None of these.

Turn over

- 7 What did the widow yearn for ?  
 (a) Money. (b) A child.  
 (c) Power. (d) None of these.
- 8 In which of the states is the ratio of women to men is lowest ?  
 (a) Kerala. (b) Tamilnadu.  
 (c) Haryana. (d) All these.
- 9 The missing women in China alone comes to \_\_\_\_\_ million.  
 (a) 100. (b) 50.  
 (c) 25. (d) None of these.
- 10 What test was conducted for Ashok in Command hospital ?  
 (a) Western Blot. (b) Eastern Blot.  
 (c) Red Blot. (d) None of these.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any ten questions :—

- 11 What does Vandana Shiva say about disguise of conflicts ?
- 12 How does the government explain the rise of price in India after economic globalization ?
- 13 What would be the feeling of a foreigner travelling across India ?
- 14 What does Rajendraprasad suggest for making beautiful literary works ?
- 15 What was Randhawa's observation ?
- 16 Mention the reasons for the disappearance of the pinheaded duck.
- 17 What is the writing on the wall according to Salim ali ?
- 18 What caused the fall of temperature in the high altitudes ?
- 19 Explain the use of the word 'Kalagni' in context.
- 20 Mention one simplistic explanation that accounts for the neglect of women.
- 21 How can Ashok deal with the rejection he felt ?
- 22 What was Rappai supposed to have said to the audience on the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :—

- 23 Globalization and farmers' plight.
- 24 Rajendraprasad's concept of unity. ✓
- 25 The case of the Rhino.
- 26 Atmospheric circulation patterns.
- 27 Ashok's meeting with the psychiatrist.
- 28 Ouseph.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :—

- 29 Illustrate how globalization affected the life of the farming community in India.
- 30 What is the significance of preserving wildlife and wild places according to Salim Ali ?
- 31 The narrator of Venkat Chalam's story is exploited as a woman and as a widow: Discuss. ✓
- 32 Kalpana Jain's article exposes the insensitivity of medical establishment and the armed forces. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)