

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. Programme 6th Semester Examination, 2022

DSE1/2-P2-ENGLISH

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

The question paper contains GROUP-C and GROUP-D. The candidates are required to answer any *one* from *two* Groups. Candidates should clearly mention the Group on the Answer Booklet.

GROUP-C

PARTITION LITERATURE

Answer any *four* of the following questions

 $15 \times 4 = 60$

- 1. Examine how Bapsi Sidhwa fuses personal histories into the larger context of partition in the novel *Ice-Candy Man*.
- 2. Critically analyse the character of Dilnawaz in *Ice-Candy Man*.
- 3. Comment on Sidhwa's portrayal of the Parsi community in *Ice-Candy Man*.
- 4. Comment on Khushwant Singh's treatment of violence in *Train to Pakistan*.
- 5. How has Khushwant Singh portrayed the women characters in *Train to Pakistan?*
- 6. Comment on the ending of Khushwant Singh's *Train to Pakistan*.
- 7. Analyse the motivations and actions of the character Nathu in Bhisham Sahni's *Tamas*.
- 8. Explore the theme of dislocation and loss in *Tamas*.

GROUP-D

SCIENCE FICTION AND DETECTIVE LITERATURE

Answer any *four* of the following questions $15 \times 4 = 60$

- 1. Comment on how science can be both a creative force as well as a destructive force with reference to Ray's "Professor Shonku and the UFO".
- 2. Analyze the character of Professor Shonku in "Professor Shonku and the UFO".
- 3. Comment on the modes of detection used by Holmes in "The Hound of the Baskervilles".
- 4. Discuss the significance of the title of "The Hound of the Baskervilles".
- 5. Comment on the setting employed by Doyle in "The Hound of the Baskervilles".
- 6. Evaluate *Inspector Ghote Goes by Train* as a specimen of crime fiction.
- 7. Comment on Keating's portrayal of Inspector Ghote in *Inspector Ghote Goes by Train.*

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8. Comment on the plot construction in *Inspector Ghote Goes by Train*.