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Second Semester

Common Course I—English
EN 2CC T03—ISSUES THAT MATTER

[For all U.G. C.B.C.S. Programmes]

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

Answer any ten of the following. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 1. Why was Arnela reluctant to teach Sentila that craft of pot making?
- 2. Identify the historical context of the poem "Refugee Blues".
- 3. Define a refugee based on the UN convention on the Status of Refugees.
- 4. How is the 'flood' of the present age different from the biblical Great Flood of Noah?'
- 5. How do young ones die according to the stoic traveller in the story "War".
- 6. What plan did Juan conceive to outsmart the censorship mechanism?
- 7. What was it that prevented a Mahar from being independent, according to grandfather in "The Poisoned Bread"?
- 8. Why did Mesoba return home with a heavy heart after meeting the elders?
- 9. What does Auden mean when he says that being human hinders one's freedom?
- 10. What did the mysterious bird reveal to Hagar?
- 11. What happened to the author's brother in "A Trip Westward"?
- 12. How did the prisoners fare in the old prison?

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Turn over

Part B

Answer any six questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 13. Describe how the narrator got the five pound bill in the story "The Child Goes to the Camp".
- 14. Why is the wind called 'an angry bee' in "The Old Prison"?
- 15. What were some of the measures taken in the twentieth century to protect the rights of refugees?
- 16. What was the water covenant that was born in the desert?
- 17. What is the symbolic significance of roots in "On Killing a Tree"?
- 18. What is the future of Hemo Sapiens according to Leakey?
- 19. How did Onula help Sentila with pot making on the night of the music band's visit?
- 20. Describe the terrain of the 'homeward trail' of Zitkala-sa.
- 21. How did Juan get his promotions?

 $(6 \times 5 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Part C

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 22. How does Leakey establish the fact that Homo sapiens have a key responsibility to preserve biodiversity?
- 23. Briefly explain the conflicts and themes raised through the story "War".
- 24. Bring out the element of satire in the story "The Censors" citing situations.
- 25. How does Oe represent the dualism of good and evil through the essay "The Unsurrendered People".

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$