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Name of the Paper

: DSE Partition Literature

Name of the Course

: BA (H) English LOCF

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: VI

Duration: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 75

Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.

2. Answer both parts.

Part A

Attempt any three. All questions carry 10 marks (10×3=30)

- 1. Critically comment on the recurring motif of the train in *Basti*.
- 2. Comment on the title of Arjun.
- 3. Comment on the following lines: 'One lunatic got so embroiled in this Hindustan-Pakistan rigmarole that he became all the more insane.'

- 4. Comment critically on the following lines: 'Radcliff announced his award. Bengal's culture, art, dance and music were divided. Punjab's plough, farming, songs and romance were split.'
- 5. According to Ritu Menon and Kamla Bhasin, Partition's political history is equalled by the paucity of social histories about it. Elaborate.

PART B

Attempt any three. All questions carry 15 marks $(15\times3=45)$

- 6. Basti is a novel that fuses Islamic, Hindu, Buddhist, Judaic and Christian elements in its narrative. Critically comment.
- 7. Sunil Gangodhyay's *Arjun* is a novel that delves into locality as an important element of refugee experiences. Discuss.
- 8. Discuss 'The Story of a Tulsi Plant' as a comment on the affective fallout of the Partition on communities.
- 9. Discuss Kaloi Bibi as a figure of anti-colonial struggle. Why is she such an important figure?
- 10. Discuss Ashis Nandy's ideas in his essay 'The Invisible Holocaust and the Journey as an Exodus' that is in your course.