

WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Programme 6th Semester Examination, 2021

ENGGGEC02T-ENGLISH (GE2)

GENDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Time Allotted: 2 Hours Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions (within 500 words):

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- (a) Identify and discuss any four basic human rights essential for social progress and better standards of life.
- (b) Women and people belonging to other genders regularly suffer violations of their rights throughout their lives. Write a note on the violation of gender rights and their redressal.
- 2. Answer any *one* of the following questions (within 500 words):

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- (a) Discuss the theme of untouchability as presented in Mulk Raj Anand's *Untouchable*.
- (b) Bakha in M. R. Anand's *Untouchable* suffers humiliation and tyranny which he does not deserve. Discuss.
- 3. Answer any *one* of the following questions (within 500 words):

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- (a) 'Draupadi' by Mahasweta Devi is a story of exploitation and resistance based on the *Mahabharata*. Explain.
- (b) Dopdi Mehjen is a Santhal tribal woman who rebels against the violation of her gender and tribal rights. Discuss.
- 4. Answer any *one* of the following questions (within 200 words):

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- (a) Describe two instances of caste-based oppression in the life of Bakha and his sister Sohini.
- (b) Briefly describe how Dopdi is finally caught by Senanayak and his men in your own words.
 - **N.B.:** Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.

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