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TDC (CBCS) Even Semester Exam., September 2021

ENGLISH

(6th Semester)

Course No.: ENGHCC-601T

(Postcolonial Literatures)

Full Marks: 70
Pass Marks: 28

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION-A

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Answer any ten of the following questions:

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- 1. Mention two metaphors in Neruda's poem, Tonight I Can Write.
- 2. What is the historical background of Neruda's poem, The Way Spain Was?
- **3.** What rebellion does Walcott's poem, A Far Cry from Africa depict and who were involved in that African historical event?

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4. "My ____ began as the sea began, with no

- 4. "My ____ began as the sea began, with no nouns, and with no ___."
 Fill in the gaps with words from the poem.
- 6. How is time introduced in the opening lines of the poem, Wild Lemons by David Malouf?
- 7. What, according to Mamang Dai, marks the days of childhood?
- 8. Name two books written by Mamang Dai.
- **9.** Who are the chief male and female protagonists of the story, *The Collector of Treasures?*
- 10. Name two novels by Bessie Head.
- 11. Who is Nana and what does she always complain about Adoja's legs?
- 12. Name the two tribes mentioned in Grace Ogot's story, *The Green Leaves*.
- 13. For what reason is Okonkwo exiled?
- 14. Name the two wives of Okonkwo.

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- 15. What does the repetition of the number seven suggest about the novel, Things Fall Apart?
- 16. Why do the men of Umuofia meet in the marketplace after the village crier beats the message on the 'ogene'?
- 17. Who was Biren and where did he stay with his wife?
- 18. What does Siddhartha Deb say about Silchar in his novel, The Point of Return?
- 19. Who is Babu Dam in The Point of Return?
 Why does he become an exile in his homeland?
- 20. Why did Dr. Dam shift to Jail Road of Shillong from his official quarter in Garikhan?

SECTION—B

Answer any five of the following questions: 10×5=50

- 21. Analyze the theme of identity crisis in A Far Cry from Africa by Derek Walcott.
- **22.** Attempt a critical appreciation of Pablo Neruda's poem, *The Way Spain Was*.

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- **23.** Discuss the treatment of time and memory in the poem, *Revolving Days*.
- 24. How does Mamang Dai present a picture of life and mortality in the poem, Small Towns and The River?
- **25.** Discuss the significance of the title of the short story, *The Collector of Treasures* by Bessie Head.
- **26.** How does Ama Ata Aidoo's story, *The Girl who Can* analyze African women's struggle to find their rightful place in society?
- **27.** Examine the theme(s) in Achebe's *Things Fall Apart.*
- 28. Analyze the character of Okonkwo.
- **29.** Discuss the theme of migration and displacement in Siddhartha Deb's novel, *The Point of Return.*
- **30.** Analyze father-son relationship in Siddhartha Deb's novel, *The Point of Return*.
