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Common Course

ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the questions by choosing the right options given below :

- 1 Which disease has gone up for women and children according to the National Family Health Survey ?
(a) Hepatitis. (b) Lukemia.
(c) Anaemia. (d) Tuberculosis.
- 2 Name the book written by Amy Chua :
(a) White Tiger. (b) World on Fire.
(c) The Fall of a Sparrow. (d) The Serpent and the Rope.
- 3 In which of the following places do we find the dry arid climate ?
(a) Guwahati. (b) Shimla.
(c) Chandigadh. (d) Jaiselmer.
- 4 Who is known as the 'Birdman of India' ?
(a) Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. (b) Dr. B R Ambedkar.
(c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad. (d) Dr. Salim Ali.
- 5 Which of the following is a direct outcome of deforestation ?
(a) Increase in wild life. (b) Population explosion.
(c) Lesser rainfall. (d) Increase in mortality rate.
- 6 Approximately one thousand years ago, the temperature of the _____ region was higher than it is today.
(a) West Asia. (b) North Polar.
(c) Sub Sahara. (d) South America.

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- 7 Whose story was narrated to the widow when she was a child by her father ?
- (a) Cinderella. (b) Aesop.
(c) *Panchathantra*. (d) Arabian Nights.
- 8 In which year did Amartya Sen receive the Nobel Prize ?
- (a) 1989. (b) 1984.
(c) 1998. (d) 1991.
- 9 What was the job of Ashok ?
- (a) Medical Officer in the ship. (b) Captain in the ship.
(c) Receptionist at Naval Hospital. (d) Radio Operator in Navy.
- 10 What was the happy occasion for Kochu Rappai and other family members in September 2013 ?
- (a) 60th Birthday celebration. (b) Visit to the amusement Park.
(c) Opening of the new shop. (d) Wedding Anniversary.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any *ten* questions :

- 11 What is the agenda of the World Bank ?
- 12 Explicate the term 'culture'.
- 13 How does the *Sruthi* view self gratification and renunciation ?
- 14 Define Ecological Balance.
- 15 What has happened to the pinheaded duck in India ?
- 16 How does Federov define climate ?
- 17 What led to the extinction of the human settlements in Greenland ?
- 18 What is the public humiliation the widow is forced to undergo ?
- 19 What do you mean by "gainful" employment ?
- 20 Explain the title "More than 100 Million Women Are Missing".
- 21 What was the shocking news that the Doctor delivered to Ashok in the hospital ?
- 22 How does Kochu Rappai become a special person ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :

- 23 What are the problems of seed replacement ?
- 24 What are the different types of climate one can experience while travelling across India ?
- 25 The distribution of the Great Indian Rhinoceros.
- 26 Describe the widow's family.
- 27 How can "gainful" employment uplift women ?
- 28 Ashok's life in the hospital.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 Describe the types of diversities in India that Dr. Rajendra Prasad points out in his essay ?
- 30 What are the effects of human existence on nature ?
- 31 Make a critical assessment of the protagonist in the story 'Widow'.
- 32 Examine how apt is the title "Stigma, Shame and Silence" for Ashok's story.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)