

B III (Three Year G)
Under 1+1+1 System

2018

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH (General)

(Revised New Syllabus)

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

GROUP—A

1. Answer any **one** of the following : 15

(a) Discuss *Riders to the Sea* as an one-act play.

(b) How does Maurya evolve from an individual mother to a universal mother?

(c) Evaluate Gatsby's character in Fitzgerald's novel.

(d) Analyze *The Great Gatsby* as a critique of the 'American Dream'.

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(2)

- (e) Discuss Narayan's humour and irony as represented in *The Man-Eater of Malgudi*.
- (f) Analyze Nataraj as the 'unheroic hero' in *The Man-Eater of Malgudi*.

2. Answer any **two** of the following : 5×2=10

- (a) What roles do Cathleen and Nora play in *Riders to the Sea*?
- (b) What does the spinning wheel symbolize in *Riders to the Sea*?
- (c) Comment on the significance of the opening scene of *Riders to the Sea*.
- (d) What role does Nick play in the play?
- (e) What is the importance of Daisy Buchanan in *The Great Gatsby*?
- (f) What is the American success myth?
- (g) How does Vasu meet his end?
- (h) What role does Rangji play in the novel?
- (i) Comment on Narayan's presentation of life as lived in the Market Street in Malgudi.

(3)

GROUP—B

Answer any **one** of the following : 25

3. Write an essay on any **one** of the following :

- (a) The importance of senior citizens in society
- (b) Drug addiction
- (c) Students and politics
- (d) Your favourite Book
- (e) Book fair

4. Write a report on any **one** of the following :

- (a) A blood donation camp
- (b) A cultural event in your college

5. Write a précis of the following and add a suitable title :

It is physically impossible for a well-educated or brave man to make money the chief object of his thoughts, just as it is for him to make his dinner the principal object of them. All healthy people like their dinners, but their dinner is not the main object of their lives. So all healthy minded people like making money—ought to like it and enjoy the sensation of winning it; it is something better than money. A good soldier, for instance, mainly wishes to do his fighting well. He is

glad of his pay—very properly so, and justly grumbles when you keep him ten years without it—still his main notion of life is to win battles, not to be paid for winning them. So a clergyman's object is essentially to baptize and preach, not to be paid for preaching. So of doctors. They like fees no doubt, —out to like them; yet if they are brave and well-educated, the entire object of their lives is not a fee. They, on the whole, desire to cure the sick, and, if they are good doctors, and the choice were fairly put to them, would rather cure their patient and lose their fee than kill him and get it. And so with all the other brave and rightly trained men; their work is first, their fee second—very important always, but still second.
