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ENGLISH

Paper : ALT-CC-4016

(*Alternative English*)

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

***The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.***

1. Answer the following as directed :

1×10=10

- (a) Keats' poem, *La Belle Dame Sans Merci* is a ballad. (Write True or False)
- (b) Who return to "Still village wells..." in Owen's *The Send Off* ?
- (c) In whose hand, according to Wordsworth, did the sonnet play like a pipe ?
- (d) What sickness did Marie Curie suffer from ?
- (e) When was Shaw's play, *Candida* published ?

- (f) Where did the tramps hide the tobacco before entering the spike ?
- (g) Who decided to climb Culver Cliff at the age of seventeen as mentioned in Gardiner's essay, *On Fear* ?
- (h) Name the fictional town where R. K. Narayan's short story, *A Horse and two Goats* is set.
- (i) Who was Thapa in Vikram Chandra's short story, *Dharma* ?
- (j) Whose granary is full as mentioned in Keats' poem, *La Belle Dame Sans Merci* ?

2. Answer the following questions :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) What does Gardiner consider as the real victory of a hero ?
- (b) What did Muni's wife tell him when he expressed his desire for drumstick in sauce ?
- (c) What are the two races of men according to Lamb ?
- (d) Why did the narrator in *The Spike* bury eight pence under the hedge ?

- (e) Who does the speaker of Keats' *La Belle Dame Sans Merci* refer to as 'a fairy's child' ?

3. Answer **any four** of the following questions :

$5 \times 4 = 20$

- (a) Give a short description of the Tramp Major as described by Orwell in *The Spike*.
- (b) Narrate the conversation between Muni and the shopman.
- (c) Attempt a brief note on the ending of Shaw's play, *Candida*.
- (d) Who was Subramaniam in Vikram Chandra's *Dharma* ?
- (e) Explain with reference to the context the following lines :  

"Today a backhoe divulged out of a crumbling flank of earth  
one bottle amber perfect a hundred-year-old....."
- (f) Explain with reference to the context the following lines :  

"The thing became a trumpet; whence he blew  
Soul-animating strains-alas, too few !"

4. Answer the following questions : **(any four)**

10×4=40

- (a) Attempt a note on Orwell's experience in *The Spike* as he encounters landlessness and poverty.

**Or**

Attempt a critical note on Lamb's use of humour and exaggeration in *The Two Races Of Men*.

- (b) Write a critical note on the major themes in Vikram Chandra's, *Dharma*.

**Or**

Write a note on R. K. Narayan's use of comic irony in *A Horse and Two Goats*.

- (c) Attempt a critical appreciation of George Herbert's poem, *The Rose*.

**Or**

Justify the title of Adrienne Rich's poem, *Power*.

- (d) Compare and contrast the characters of James Morell and Eugene Marchbanks in Shaw's play, *Candida*.

**Or**

Examine Shaw's title character, *Candida* as a representative of the 'new woman'.