

M.A. (English) (New CBCS Pattern) Semester-IV  
**ECIVE1 - Diasporic Fiction-II**

P. Pages : 1

Time : Three Hours



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Max. Marks : 80

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1. a) Write a short notes on **any two** of the following. **8**
- i) What role does the prophesy play about Mr. Biswas in the novel?
  - ii) What quality Omar represents in the novel 'Shame'?
  - iii) What is the significance of Padma's character and her role in the 'Desirable Daughter'?
  - iv) What is the main theme of 'The Interpreter of Maladies'?
- b) Write a short notes on any two of the following. **8**
- i) What is the meaning of the 'Inheritance of Loss'?
  - ii) Comment on the setting of the novel 'Inheritance of Loss'.
  - iii) Write the main theme of the novel 'The Shadow Lines'.
  - iv) How does poverty and family obligation impact Balram's education?
2. Answer any one of the following questions. **16**
- i) What is the central theme of the novel and how does it manifest in Mr. Biswas's life?
  - ii) Write a note on symbolism and imagery used in the novel 'Shame'.
3. Answer any one of the following questions. **16**
- i) Consider 'The Interpreter of Maladies' as a postcolonial novel.
  - ii) Write a note on 'Identity Crisis in 'Desirable Daughters'.
4. Answer any one of the following questions. **16**
- i) Discuss the elements of nature, tone and history in Kiran Desai's 'The Inheritance of Loss' in detail.
  - ii) What is the significance of the title 'The Inheritance of Loss'? Discuss in detail.
5. Answer any one of the following questions. **16**
- i) Write an essay on themes in Aravind Adiga's art of characterization with reference to 'The White Tiger'.
  - ii) How does Amitav Ghosh's 'The Shadow Lines' explore relationship between memory, storytelling and reality?

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