

2022

ENGLISH (General)

Paper Code : 503 ENGG GE-1

(Language, Literature and Culture)

Full Marks : 32

Time : Two Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 300 words : 8×1=8
 - (a) What is the purpose of language? Discuss in detail.
 - (b) What is communication? Write a note on effective communication.
 - (c) People's use of language is governed by factors such as class, gender, race etc. Elucidate.

2. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 300 words : 8×1=8
 - (a) What is cultural diversity? Is cultural diversity a blessing or challenge?
 - (b) What is popular culture? Elaborate with suitable examples.

(c) What role do the media play in changing the ideology of people?

3. Write short notes on any *two* of the following in about 150 words : 4×2=8

(a) Voice of the repressed in Meena Kandasamy's "Narration".

(b) Ruskin Bond's "The Cherry Tree" as an ecocritical text.

(c) Rabindranath Tagore's idea of Nationalism as expressed in "Nationalism in India".

(d) Cultural differences in Jhumpa Lahiri's "Mrs. Sen's".

4. Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 300 words : 8×1=8

(a) What is identity? What is the relation between identity and culture?

(b) What are the factors that lead to alienation? Discuss with examples.

(c) Write a note on history as social memory.
