

THIRD SEMESTER UG DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024**(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)****ENGLISH****JENG3A05T: READINGS ON INDIAN LITERATURES****Time: 2 ½ Hours****Maximum Marks: 80****SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries *two* marks.****(Ceiling 25 marks)**

1. Who is the speaker of the poem “Dream: Midnight”?
2. Who is called ‘descendant of the Gods’? Why?
3. What is the request of Kondhs to the dead spirits?
4. Why couldn’t the seed defer in sprouting?
5. How does Paripoornam try to convince her daughter to go to school?
6. What happened to the young doctor’s wife?
7. What did Nabir Shalla do for a living?
8. How does Ruskin Bond spend his summer vacation?
9. What is Bo and who is Boa Sr?
10. What is the first thing to ensure before setting up a new university?
11. Comment on the role of eugenicists in nation building.
12. What was the attitude of the people of Utopia towards gold and silver?
13. What happened to Prita’s parents?
14. How do the women react to bullying in the beginning in *That Day after Everyday*?
15. How does Kanva plan to take care of Madhavi?

SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries *five* marks.**(Ceiling 35 marks)**

16. “The river has a soul.” What does the poet mean by this expression?
17. Write a note on the Munda tribe.
18. Critically analyze the traumatic experiences of Chinnaponnu and Kattari.
19. Give a brief character sketch of the girl in “The Night Train at Deoli”.
20. What does the death of a language suggest?
21. Give an account on Prita and Shakuntala in “Burning”.
22. Write a note on Holy Grove bidding farewell to Shakuntala.
23. Who are the real beneficiaries of a new university?

SECTION C: Answer any *two* questions. Each carries *ten* marks.

24. “All trees grow in imagination. In memory, they always remain seeds.” Explain.
25. ‘Love is for all ages.’ Explain with reference to “The Bride’s Pyjamas”.
26. Write an essay on Meghnad Saha’s critique of the education system.
27. Discuss the play *Beyond the Land of Hattamala* as a social satire.

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)