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IV Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Regular/ Supplementary/Improvement) Examination, April 2024 (2019 to 2022 Admissions) COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH 4A06 ENG: Readings on Philosophy of Knowledge

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 40

I. Write an essay on any one of the following.

 $(1 \times 8 = 8)$

- 1) How does David Orr explain the task of the liberal arts education?
- 2) What factors influenced Helen Keller's journey towards socialism?
- II. Write an essay on any one of the following.

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- 3) Explore the themes of identity and trauma in "Toba Tek Singh."
- 4) Describe the concept of gender-based dichotomy in parenting roles and obligations.
- III. Answer **any four** of the following in **a** paragraph.

 $(4 \times 4 = 16)$

- 5) What is ecological literacy according to David Orr?
- 6) What does Freire propose as an alternative to the banking concept of education?
- 7) Explain the significance of the slow pace of life in Benaras, as depicted in the poem.
- 8) What is the Kaippad method of cultivation?
- 9) How does bell hooks view the role of power in the classroom?
- 10) "And instantly all hell broke loose". What incident is referred to here?

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- IV. Answer any eight of the following in two or three sentences. (8×1=8)
 - 11) What criticism does Helen Keller have for the Brooklyn Eagle?
 - 12) What role does critical consciousness play in Freire's philosophy?
 - 13) What is the symbolic significance of Bishan Singh's refusal to choose between India and Pakistan?
 - 14) What is the significance of the rings in the netherworld?
 - 15) How does bell hooks describe the impact of bourgeois values on classroom dynamics ?
 - 16) What alternative name was Kallen pokkudan known by?
 - 17) What are the beggars' bowls filled with in Benares?
 - 18) Which story was considered by BBC as one among the hundred stories that shaped the world?
 - 19) What was the Indian proposal to resolve the Aryabhatta zero issue?
 - 20) What is life writing?