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**VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**

**Question Paper**

**B.A. Honours Examinations 2021**

(Under CBCS Pattern)

**Semester - III**

**Subject: ENGLISH**

**Paper : GE 3-T**

**Full Marks : 60**

**Time : 3 Hours**

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**Language and Linguistics**

**Group - A**

Answer **any four** of the following:

12×4=48

1. Attempt a brief essay on the varieties of language.
2. Comment on the social aspects of language.
3. Give your idea about the vowels and the consonants in English.
4. Write a note on pattern congruity in the phonetic system.

5. Differentiate between words and phonemes.
6. What is IC analysis? Explain with suitable examples.
7. What are lexical ambiguity and structural ambiguity?
8. Write a brief essay on the maxims of conversation.

**Group - B**

Answer *any six* of the following:

2×6=12

1. Point out at least two characteristic features of standard language.
  2. Give four examples of affixes.
  3. What is phoneme? Give two examples.
  4. What is diphthong? Give two examples.
  5. Define allophone. Give two examples.
  6. What is known as Morphophonemics? Give two examples.
  7. What is a kernel sentence? Give an example.
  8. How do you distinguish between content words and function words?
  9. What is the example of maxim of quantity?
  10. What are the four components of a formal phrase structure grammar?
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*Or*

## **Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment**

### **Group - A**

Answer *any four* of the following:

12×4=48

1. What is gender? How is gender socially constructed in India?
2. Personal laws are often discriminatory towards women. Assess any two systems of Indian personal law in this light.
3. Can a Uniform Civil Code provide gender-justice in India? Give a reasoned answer.
4. Mention and briefly explain the main privileges granted to women by the constitution of India.
5. Why was the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act enacted? What are some of its conditions? Elaborate.
6. Women are the first to suffer due to ecological degradation. Examine this statement in relation to environmental issues in India.
7. (a) How are Dalit women 'doubly discriminated' against in the structure of Indian society? Discuss with reference to Bama's *Karukku*.

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- (b) Describe Sultana's visit to the Ladyland in Rokeya Begum's "*Sultana's Dream*".
8. (a) Bring out the autobiographical elements in Bama's *Karukku*.

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- (b) How has Begum Rokeya reversed the gender stereotypes of the Indian Muslim society in "*Sultana's Dream*"?

### **Group - B**

Answer *any six* of the following:

2×6=12

1. What is the difference between sex and gender?
2. Mention any two legal measures to empower Indian women at the workplace.
3. What is domestic violence? Give two examples.

4. Which act ensures equal wages for men and women? When was it passed?
  5. Mention any two legal provisions made by the Indian Government to prevent female foeticide
  6. What is the full form of the POCSO Act? When was it enacted?
  7. What was the chief provision of the Marriage Provision Laws (Amendment) Bill of 2010?
  8. Discuss the function of Internal Complaints committee. Under which act has it been created?
  9. Give the meaning of the word 'Karukku'.
  10. Who is the narrator of "Sultana's Dream"?
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