

**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME
IN ENGLISH**

**Term-End Examination
December, 2015**

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MEG-8 : NEW LITERATURES IN ENGLISH

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt any *five* questions. All questions carry equal marks. Answer each question in 500 words.

1. On what grounds can the term 'Commonwealth Literature' be critiqued ? Explain. 20
2. What are the implications of the term 'dark' in the expression 'the dark continent' as applied to Africa ? 20
3. Why did Thiong'o choose resistance to Colonialism as the theme of his novel, *A Grain of Wheat* ? Elaborate. 20
4. *Ice-Candy-Man* is an autobiographical novel. Discuss with special reference to Bapsi Sidhwa's status as a Parsi woman from the Third World. 20

5. What are the main thematic concerns in *The Stone Angel* ? Discuss. 20
 6. How does the Mandala motif work in different ways, at the level of theme and structure, in *The Solid Mandala* ? 20
 7. Discuss Brathwaite's Rastafarian analysis of Jamaican society in "Wings of a Dove". 20
 8. Examine *A House for Mr. Biswas* as a diasporic novel. 20
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