BACHELORS IN ENGLISH (HONOURS) (CBCS) (BAEGH)

Term-End Examination December, 2022

BEGC-103: INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

Time: 3 hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: This paper has three sections – A, B and C. All sections are compulsory though there is internal choice within the sections. All questions carry equal marks.

SECTION A

- 1. Explain any **four** of the following passages with reference to the context, giving brief critical comments (150 words each): $4\times5=20$
 - (a) There is a house now far away where once I received love . . . That woman died,

 The house withdrew into silence . . .
 - (b) People everywhere talkedOf the inches rising,Of the precise number of cobbled stepsRun over by the water, risingOn the bathing places.

- (c) But when the differences aroseOn how to cross a desert patch,We lost a friend whose stylish proseWas quite the best of all our batch.
- (d) His poison moved in Mother's blood, they said.
 May he sit still, they said.
 May the sins of your previous birth Be burned away tonight, they said.
- (e) Some are purple and gold-flecked grey

 For she who has journeyed through
 life midway.

 Whose hands have cherished, whose
 love has blest

 And cradled fair sons on the faithful breast.
- (f) She hangs like a star in the dew of our song;
 She springs like a beam on the brow of the tide,
 She falls like a tear from the eyes of a bride.

SECTION B

- **2.** Write short notes on any two of the following (250 words each): $2 \times 10 = 20$
 - (a) 'Lost Child' as an allegory
 - (b) Role of Kalpana in The Binding Vine
 - (c) Different types of Novels
 - (d) Narayan's town of Malgudi

SECTION C

Attempt any **three** of the following questions (600 words each): 3×20=60

- **3.** Critically analyse the poem 'The Night of the Scorpion' by Nissim Ezekiel.
- **4.** What is the relevance of the title *A Tiger for Malgudi*? Discuss.
- **5.** Write a detailed note on the structure and point of view in *The Binding Vine*.
- **6.** How does the story 'Swimming Lessons' portray the dilemma of immigrants living outside their country? Discuss.
- 7. Write a detailed analysis of Sarojini Naidu's conception of Indian womanhood as seen in the poem 'The Bangle Sellers'.