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## MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH (MEG)

## **Term-End Examination**

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## **MEG-07: INDIAN ENGLISH LITERATURE**

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- Explain with reference to the context any four of the following passages in about 150 words each:
  - (a) My Country! In thy day of glory pastA beauteous halo circled round thy brow,And worshipped as a deity thou wast.

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(b) Beauty of thy Light, Surround my Life— Beauty of the Light!

I have sacrificed longing and parted from grief,

I can bear thy delight.

- (c) The trip had darkened every face,Our deeds were neither great nor rareHome is where we have to earn our grace.
- (d) Why not Leave Me alone,Critics, friends, visiting cousins,Every one of you? Why not let meSpeak inAny language I like?
- (e) Now she looks for the swing in cities with fifteen suburbs and tries to be innocent about it.
- (f) Mortal as I am, I face the end with unspeakable relief, knowing how I should feel if I were stopped and cut off.

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- (g) Somewhere along that stretch of silt a cry goes up as someone spots you, your head bobing along the waters like a coconut.
- Discuss the role of Bakha in Mulk Raj Anand's novel 'Untouchable'. (500 words) 20

Or

Discuss the importance of Harikatha in Raja Rao's novel 'Kanthapura'. (500 words)

3. Discuss the significance of the title of Anita Desai's novel 'Clear Light of Day'. 20

Or

Discuss the post-colonial elements in Mahatma Gandhi's 'Hind Swaraj'.

4. Comment upon the diasporic elements in Arun Joshi's "The Only American from Our Village".

(**500** words) 20

Or

Discuss Subhadra Sengupta's 'The Fourth Daughter' as a Feminist Story. (500 words)

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5. Discuss Salman Rushdie's 'Midnight's Children' as a post-colonial novel. (500 words) 20

Or

Discuss the relationship of Chandan and Tara in Mahesh Dattani's play 'Tara'. (500 words)