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ENGLISH

(General)

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

Students having English (Major) shall answer
Question Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 6 while other Students
shall answer Question Nos. 1 to 5

1. How does Gandhi define Swadeshi? What are
its three branches? Discuss. 10

Or

Write a note on George Orwell's views on the
Burmese and the imperialist British as
reflected in his essay, *Shooting an Elephant*. 10

2. Give a character portrayal of Lansina Nona
from your reading of the story, *The River*. 10

Or

Who was Chinmoy Babu? Describe his
relationship with Aunty Roopwati. 10

(2)

3. Answer any *two* of the following questions :
5×2=10

- (a) Narrate the experiences of Rohinton Mistry in Hotel Bhagsu.
- (b) Write a brief note on the transformation of Angulimala from a robber to a pious man.
- (c) Describe in brief the wedding night of Aunty Roopwati.
- (d) How did George Orwell justify the shooting of the elephant?

4. Frame sentences to illustrate the meaning of the following phrases (any *five*) :
1×5=5

at a loss; at daggers drawn; between the lines; by virtue of; to the backbone; man of letters; storm in a teacup; bury the hatchet; sticks at nothing; face the music; tooth and nail.

5. Rewrite the following sentences correctly (any *five*) :
1×5=5

- (a) Unemployment is a major problem in these days.
- (b) Everyone knows that smoking effects one's health.

(3)

- (c) His lecture was fairly boring.
- (d) He thinks that the price for oil is bound to increase.
- (e) The water in the canal was much more higher than usual.
- (f) He wanted to know what was into the parcel.
- (g) This flower is more lovelier than the other.

[For English (Major) students only]

6. Discuss how Nissim Ezekiel responded to Naipaul's criticism of India. 10

Or

Examine Naipaul's opinion on Mahatma Gandhi. 10
