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M.A. Semester-IV Examination, 2022
ENGLISH
PAPER: ENG 404B
Dalit Literature

Full Marks: 40   **Time: 2 Hours**

GROUP-A

Answer any <u>four</u> questions of the following: **4×2=8**

1. Mention one episode from *Joothan* which shows Dalit resistance.
2. How was Bama humiliated when the coconut fell near her feet while she was in school?
3. When and where did Ambedkar deliver his historical speech on untouchability?
4. What is the hierarchy of caste system to be found in *Manusmriti*?
5. Explain the implied meaning of 'hammer' in the poem "Take a Hammer to Change the World".
6. What is the name of the autobiography of Limbale and when was it published?
7. Who is Dhani Bauri?
8. What role does Mangala Gunin play in *Reincarnation of Parashuram*?

GROUP-B

Answer any <u>four</u> questions of the following: **4×4=16**

1. Comment on the term 'Joothan'.
2. Comment on the inner meaning of 'Karukku' in *Karukku*.
3. Comment on Ambedkar's reference to the French National Assembly.
4. Critically comment on the following statement made by Limbale-"A Voltaire among the Brahmin would be a positive danger to the maintenance of Civilization."
5. "I want my Rights. / Give me my Rights."- Comment.
6. "Why is the elephant stuck in the mud of slavery?"- Analyze the statement.
7. How has the narrative of pain been established in *Dhani Bauri Gets Salvation*?
8. Critically examine the supernatural belief system of Dalits as found in *Reincarnation of Parashuram.*

GROUP-C

Answer any <u>two</u> questions of the following: **2×8=16**

1. "Dalit autobiography doesn't talk about the self but community"- Critically examine this claim with reference to Omprakash Valmiki's *Joothan*.
2. How does Bama portray the struggle of Dalit women in a patriarchal society?
3. What Ambedkar's views on the caste system are as presented in "Ambedkar's Speech at Mahad"?
4. Comment on the concept of Dalit consciousness with reference to the poems you have read in *Poisoned Bread*.

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