

- (c) Who was Palem Apokpi? Discuss *A Poem for Mother* as an autobiographical poem.

2+8=10

- (d) What is Hokutwisa? Briefly discuss the theme of the poem, *Dawn at Hokutwisa*.

2+8=10

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## UNIT—IV

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**TDP (General) 4th Semester Exam., 2018****ENGLISH****( General )****FOURTH PAPER**

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

## UNIT—I

1. Answer any one question : 10

- (a) Comment on the significance of the Raju-Rosie relationship in *The Guide*. What picture of the contemporary society do you find in the novel? 5+5=10
- (b) What is a picaresque novel? Can R. K. Narayan's *The Guide* be called a picaresque novel? Justify your answer. 2+8=10

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- (c) What is the name of Raju's love interest? What was the profession of Marco? Name the book written by him. "R. K. Narayan's *The Guide* deals with the journey of a man through illusion to reality." Discuss.

1+1+1+7=10

## UNIT—II

2. Answer any one question : 10

- (a) What is the overriding theme of *Our Casuarina Tree* by Toru Dutt? Comment upon the poet's relationship to the tree.

5+5=10

- (b) What are the obstacles discussed by the poet for meeting her lover in the poem, *If You Call Me*? Discuss the interplay of images of life and death in the poem. 5+5=10

- (c) "I watched the flame feeding on my mother ... it lost its sting."

Who is 'I' here? What is the poet's opinion about his father? When did the mother find relief? Comment on the reaction of the poet's mother. 1+2+2+5=10

- (d) What is meant by 'narrow domestic walls' in the poem, *Heaven of Freedom*? How does the poet reflect the true meaning of freedom through the poem? What does the poet want people to achieve through tireless striving? 2+4+4=10

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## UNIT—III

3. Answer any one question : 10

- (a) How are Najab and Fatimah ultimately united in the short story, *Love Across the Salt Desert*? Give the character sketch of Fatimah. 5+5=10

- (b) How many years did the drought last in Kutch? Name the village where the story, *Love Across the Salt Desert* is set. Briefly describe the journey of Najab across the Rann of Kutch. 1+1+8=10

- (c) Who is the narrator of *When Mr. Pirzada Came to Dine*? Why did Mr. Pirzada come to dinner? What did he bring for Lilia? Briefly sketch the character of Mr. Pirzada. 1+2+2+5=10

## UNIT—IV

4. Answer any one question : 10

- (a) Who was Prof. Mirajkar? Write a note on the dominant themes of the story, *The Journey*. Comment on the appropriateness of the title, *The Journey*. 2+4+4=10

- (b) Why are the couple Punaba and Khatila called a mismatch? Comment on the role played by women in saving the lives of the male members in the problem-stricken Nagaland. 3+7=10

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