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## Second Semester M.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – OBE-Regular) Examination, April 2024 (2023 Admission) ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE MAENG02E07: Dalit Studies

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

PART - A

Answer any 5 the following in 80 words.

 $(5 \times 4 = 20)$ 

- 1. Explain the basic argument in Ambedkar's "We too are Humans".
- 2. What are the main points Jotirao Phule raises in "Caste Laws" ?
- 3. Describe the themes in Aleena Akashamittayi's Poems.
- 4. What is the significance of Hira Bansode's poem, "Yasodhara".
- 5. What is the central message of Kancha Ilaiah's "Contemporary Hinduism"?
- Describe the impact of Rajani's suicide as discussed by Rekha Raj.

PART - B

Answer any 3 the following in 150 words.

 $(3 \times 8 = 24)$ 

- Analyze the different perspectives presented by Dalit women in Gopal Guru's "Dalit Women Talk Differently".
- Imagine you are a Dalit activist in contemporary India. Write a speech addressing a young audience, incorporating themes from Ambedkar's "We too are Humans."
- Discuss the theme of language and identity in Arun Kamble's "Which Language Should I Speak".

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- 10. Evaluate the portrayal of Dalit life in P Sivakami's "The Grip of Change".
- Critically assess the representation of caste issues in Suraj Yengde's "Being a Dalit" from Caste Matters.

PART - C

Answer any 3 the following in 300 words.

 $(3 \times 12 = 36)$ 

- Apply the principles discussed in Yashica Dutt's "Coming Out as Dalit" to contemporary issues faced by Dalits in urban India.
- Analyze the role of autobiographical elements in M. B. Manoj's "All aboif" and its effectiveness in conveying the Dalit experience.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the film "The Celluloid" in portraying the historical context of Dalit struggles.
- Discuss the influence of Babasaheb Ambedkar on contemporary Dalit literature, drawing examples from the syllabus.
- Compare the treatment of caste in Phule's "Caste Laws" and Kancha Ilaiah's "Why I am not a Hindu".