

B.A. Semester-V Examination, 2022-23**ENGLISH [Programme]****Course ID : 50318 Course Code : AP/ENG/501/DSE-1A****Course Title : Literature of the Indian Diaspora**

Time : 2 Hours

Full Marks : 40

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Answer the following questions.**1. Answer **any one** of the following questions: 1×10=10

- Discuss *Anita and Me* as a diasporic novel.
- Examine the portrayal of Meena in *Anita and Me*.

2. Answer **any one** of the following questions: 1×10=10

- Discuss the themes of alienation and loss in Jhumpa Lahiri's short story 'When Mr. Pirzada Came to Dine'.
- Critically examine the issues of identity and displacement in Shauna Baldwin's short story 'We are not in Pakistan'.

3. Answer **any one** of the following questions:

1×10=10

- Comment on the issues of racism and violence in A. K. Ramanujan's poem 'Take Care'.

- Critically analyse Sujata Bhatt's poem 'The One Who Goes Away'.

4. Answer **any five** of the following questions: 5×2=10

- Who is Anita in Meera Syal's novel *Anita and Me*?
- How did Meena lose her mother's necklace?
- Why did Meena decide to distance herself from Anita?
- What is the backdrop of the story 'When Mr. Pirzada Came to Dine'?
- Who is Mr. Pirzada? How did the narrator's parents get Mr. Pirzada's phone number?
- What is Mr. Pirzada's purpose of visit to America?
- Who is Megan and why does she hate her grandmother in 'We Are Not in Pakistan'?
- Why does Tollington's village school get demolished?
- What is the main issue of V. S. Naipaul's story 'One Out of Many'?
- "I understood I was a prisoner. I accepted this and adjusted..."—Why did the speaker consider himself a prisoner in Naipaul's story?