



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**

B.A. Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2024

**ENGADSE05T-ENGLISH (DSE3/4)**

**PARTITION LITERATURE**



Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

**Students shall not attempt Essay Type and Short / RTC Questions from the same text**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any **one** of the following questions: (within 500 words) 15×1= 15
  - (a) How does Faiz Ahmed Faiz apply elements of love poetry in his poem, 'For Your Lanes, My Country'? Answer with close reference to the text.
  - (b) Gulzar's poem 'Toba Tek Singh' brings out the irony of partition. Elucidate.
2. Locate and annotate any **one** of the following in about 200 words: 5×1 = 5
  - (a) I live in imagined days and night  
I exist in the shadow of the prison walls.
  - (b) When a daughter of the fabled Punjab wept  
he gave tongue to her silent grief.  
Today a million daughters weep  
but where is Waris Shah  
to give voice to their woes?

**GROUP-B**

3. Answer any **one** of the following questions in about 500 words: 15×1= 15
  - (a) Comment critically on the significance of trains in Khushwant Singh's Partition novel, 'Train to Pakistan'.
  - (b) Discuss the themes of love and sacrifice as portrayed in *Train to Pakistan*.

**GROUP-C**

4. Answer any **one** of the following questions: (within 500 words) 15×1= 15
  - (a) Comment on the significance of the title of Manto's short story 'Cold Meat'.
  - (b) Discuss the theme of home and homelessness in 'Alam's Own House.'
  - (c) Discuss how the woman's body is a site of violence with reference to 'The Final Solution' OR 'A Leaf in the Storm'.

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