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First Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree Examination, June 2022 First Degree Programme Under CBCSS English Language and Literature/English and Communicative English

Foundation Course – I

EN 1121/CG 1121.3 : WRITINGS ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES (2019 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. I

- Answer all questions. Each in a word or a sentence.
- Who opined "Our planet is not balanced too much turmoil _____
 too much suffering"?
- 2. Mention the countries where a distinct bias of 'boy preference' can be found.
- 3. What was the only human rights intervention made by the League of Nations?
- 4. Define Dopamine.
- 5. What was the key concept that led to development of the modern computer?
- 6. Who is the author of Ancient Indian Social History: Some Interpretations?
- 7. What great clairvoyance did American Dialect Society show in 2010?
- 8. Why is it difficult for the policy makers to frame a pan India geriatric care?

- 9. What is meant by natality discrimination?
- 10. Why do we say that human dignity and human rights are inalienable?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

- II. Answer any eight, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.
- 11. What is corporate globalism?
- Mention the scheme implemented by the Haryana Government to curb drug abuse.
- 13. What led to the need for having international instruments to protect human rights?
- 14. How does the changing family structure jeopardize social and economic security of elderly people?
- 15. What helps to resolve New Year resolutions, according to Khyrunnisa?
- 16. Why are elderly women in rural areas more vulnerable?
- 17. Why did plague frighten the beautiful people?
- 18. Being a computer junkie, what are the physical ailments the author suffered?
- 19. What was the meaning of the term 'secular' when it was first introduced?
- 20. How is a UTM different from a specific Turing machine?
- 21. How does dopamine in drugs affect brains?
- 22. Why is ageing in India, increasing exponentially?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

- III. Answer any six each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.
- 23. Privatization dominates our times. Comment.
- 24. What are the different rights mentioned in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights?

- Enumerate on how women's literacy has accounted for the sharp reduction of child bearing.
- 26. The ageing population is both a medical and sociological problem. How?
- 27. How is education important in developing independent thinking?
- 28. Narrate the smart phone experiences of Khyrunnisa's husband.
- 29. What data does the 2011 census provide on gender inequality?
- 30. Describe Searle's objection to Strong Al.
- 31. Comment on the relationship between religion and state.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

- IV. Answer any two each in about two to three pages.
- 32. Sainath in "The Globalisation of Inequality" writes about the rising inequality across the globe. Elaborate.
- 33. Give an account on the fatal effects of drug abuse and the initiatives adopted to prevent it based on the essay you have studied.
- 34. "Living in the Planet of the Apps" examines how human beings have become addicted to computers and smartphones. Elaborate.
- Write an essay on Thapar's views on the task of secularization in Indian society. $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$