B.A. Semester VI (Honours) Examination 2021 (CBCS) Subject: English Paper: CC-XIV

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to answer in their own words as far as practicable.

- 1. Answer *any six* of the following questions: 5X6=30
- a. Write a brief note on 'Tonight I can Write' as a memory poem.
- b. "Love is so short, forgetting is so long". Explain with reference to the context.
- c. Comment on the series of rhetorical questions used at the end of 'A Far Cry from Africa'.
- d. Bring out the significance of the line "The gorilla wrestles with the superman".
- e. Comment briefly on 'Revolving Days' as a poem of love and regret.
- f. How has the river been depicted in 'Small Towns and the Rivers'?
- g. Write a brief note on Mr. Sengupta and Khattam -Shud in Rushdie's *Haroun and the Sea of Stories*.
- h. Comment briefly on Princess Batcheat.
- 2. Answer *any three* of the following questions: 10X3=30
- a. Discuss the significance of the title *Things Fall Apart*.
- b. Consider Neruda's 'Tonight I can Write' as an elegy.
- c. Comment on Walcott's 'A Far Cry from Africa' as a postcolonial text.
- d. Elaborate the theme of storytelling in *Haroun and the Sea of Stories*.
- e. "Her stories of the subaltern will live forever as long as there's oppression in the world and the poorest of the poor need a voice". Discuss Mahasweta Devi's *The Arrow of Chotti Munda* in the light of the above comment.