



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
B.A. Programme 5th Semester Examination, 2020

DSE1-ENGLISH

Full Marks: 60

ASSIGNMENT

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

**The question paper contains GROUP-A and GROUP-B.
The candidates are required to answer any *one* from *two* Groups.
Candidates should clearly mention The Group on the Answer Booklet.**

GROUP-A

POPULAR LITERATURE

Answer any *three* of the following questions (700-750 Words each) 20×3 = 60

1. Analyze the character and role of Santiago in *The Alchemist*.
2. Discuss the character and role of Janak in Indra Bahadur Rai's *There's a Carnival Today*.
3. Discuss the Caravan Episode and bring out its significance in *The Alchemist*.
4. Consider the appropriateness of the title of *There's a Carnival Today*.
5. How does Indra Bahadur Rai address the various issues related to post-Independence Darjeeling in *There's a Carnival Today*?
6. Bring out the vision of life underlying Paulo Coelho's *The Alchemist*.

GROUP-B

LITERATURE OF THE INDIAN DIASPORA

Answer any *three* of the following questions (700-750 Words each) 20×3 = 60

1. How does Jhumpa Lahiri depict the diasporic experiences in *The Namesake*?

2. Discuss the character and role of Meena Kumar in Meera Syal's *Anita and Me*.
3. Do you think that *Anita and Me* is a novel of friendship? Explain.
4. What role does Gogol Ganguli play in *The Namesake*?
5. How does *Anita and Me* address the problems related to racism?
6. Comment on the narrative technique of *The Namesake*.

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