

**M.A. Examination, 2014**

**Semester – I & III**

**English**

**Course : I (Optional)**

**(Indian Fiction in English)**

**(For Back Candidates)**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Full Marks: 40**

*Questions are of equal value.*

Answer Question No. 1 and **any three** from the rest.

1. (a) Write a note on the importance of Macaulay's Minute on Education.  
or  
(b) What do you understand by 'Indian Fiction in English'? Discuss with reference to novels in your syllabus.
  2. Discuss *Rajmohan's Wife* as a reflection of its times.
  3. Comment on the significance of the child narrator in *Kanthapura*.
  4. *The Hungry Tide* mingles facts, fiction and history. Do you agree? Explain your reasons.
  5. Explain, in what ways does Kamala Markandaya highlight gender issues in *Nectar in a Sieve*.
  6. Comment on the significance of the title *The White Tiger*.
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