

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2015

Semester – VI

English

Paper : XV (Optional-3)

[(a): Indian Fiction in English]

(For Back Candidates only)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer question no. 1 and **any three** from the rest.

1. (a) How important do you think is the contribution made by the 'Non Resident Indian' writers to the tradition of Indian Fiction in English? Discuss.

or

- (b) Write an essay on the major trends in contemporary Indian Fiction in English.
 2. Examine the influence of the figure of Mahatma Gandhi in *Kanthapura*.
 3. *Haroun and the Sea of Stories* is a dynamic mix of fable, myth and romance. Elucidate.
 4. Discuss the importance of the presence of contemporary Indian politics in *Swami and Friends*.
 5. "Incidents from common everyday life are transformed into art by major exponents of modern short stories". How far is this statement true for a text like 'The Farewell Party'? Discuss.
 6. Show how Bond adds local colour to the theme of his story 'My Father's Trees in Dehra'.
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