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B.A. 6th Semester (Honours) Examination, October 2020

Subject: English

Course ID: 60316

Course Code: AH/ENG-603/DSE-3

Course Title: Partition Literatures

Full Marks: 20

Time: 1 hour

The figures in the margin indicate full marks

Answer all the questions.

1. Answer *any two* of the following questions: (10×2=20)

- a) How does Intizar Hussain represent Zakir, the protagonist, in his novel, *Basti*? Is there anything autobiographical in the portrayal of the character? Discuss critically.
- b) Discuss *Basti* as a novel of suffering and disillusionment.
- c) Discuss the use of irony in Khuswant Singh's *The Train to Pakistan*.
- d) What is the significance of the title of Khuswant Singh's *The Train to Pakistan*?
- e) Discuss "Toba Tek Singh" as a satire on Partition.
- f) Discuss how Jibanananda Das portrays the irresistible pulsating life and beauty of Nature in Bengal in his poem, "I Shall Return to This Bengal".

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