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I. Answer **all** questions, **each** in **a word** or **sentence**.

1) What is NHRC ?
2) What do you mean by the word 'abject' poverty ?
3) What is Bill Of Rights ?
4) What does the line 'I am black as if bereav'd of light' mean in the poem *'The Little Black Boy'* ?
5) What do you mean by the term 'foeticide' ?
6) What has been the focus of Women's Liberation Movement in India since its inception ?
7) The author of the story 'The Goddess of Revenge'.
8) What is the theme of the poem 'Nani' ?
9) What does the non-spiritual refer to in the poem 'Freedom' ?
10) What are depressants ? **(10×1=10 Marks)**

II. Answer **any eight, each** in a short paragraph **not** exceeding **50** words.

11) Role of an NGO.
12) Poverty is the greatest threat to Human rights. Explain.
13) Note on Socio-economic rights.
14) Comment on the 3 divisions in the poem 'Little Black Boy'.

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15) Mention the atrocities among the lower-caste women.

16) Comment on the woman who appears in the story 'The Goddess of Revenge'.

17) How did Nani's death affect the child's mind ?

18) What are the advantages of globalisation ?

19) What are monocultures ?

20) What is freedom in a nutshell for the author ?

21) Explain how excessive use of alcohol damages our brain.

22) How does misuse of drugs affect the society ? **(8×2=16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six each** in a paragraph **not** exceeding **100** words.

23) "The cup in my hand rattles like a drum". Comment on these lines from the poem 'The Alcoholic at Dawn' by Thayil.

24) Significance of PIL's in our society.

25) Poverty is the greatest threat to human rights. Explain.

26) What does the poet mean by "we may learn to bear the beams of love" ?

27) Mention the specific forms of violence that women are subjected to.

28) Why Tatri considers men as monsters ?

29) Comment on the poem Nani as a picture of feudal Kerala.

30) How can globalisation be beneficial for India ?

31) What is the breakaway strategy advocated by Hodge ? **(6×4=24 Marks)**

IV. Answer **any two each** in about **300** words.

32) Analyze Justice Krishna Iyer's essay on human rights.

33) Comment on the idea that poverty is a threat to human rights.

34) Comment on the violence perpetuated on the women in India.

35) How does Christabell traces the growth of globalisation ? **(2×15=30 Marks)**

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