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V Semester B.A. Examination, December 2006
(Semester Scheme) (New)
OPTIONAL ENGLISH
European and Non-European Writing (Paper - VI)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 90

Instruction: Attempt all questions.

SECTION - A
Poetry



1. Answer **one** of the following :

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- "Lot's wife is a re-presentation of the Biblical story from a modern feminist perspective". Justify.
- Examine Cavafy's "Ithaca" as an exhortation to the modern-day adventurer.

2. Answer **any one** of the following :

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- The tone of the narrator in 'The Burning of the Books'.
- The 'End' and the 'Beginning' in Szymborska's poem.
- The pathos of Andromache's speech.

SECTION - B
Short Fiction

3. Answer **one** of the following :

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- "Most characters in the short story 'War' attempt to fulfil their self-seeking roles and are ironically defeated by life itself." Do you agree ? Justify.
- How does the greatcoat transform Akaky from the unremarkable to the remarkable in Gogol's story ?
- How are the themes of individual alienation and difficulties of moral choice highlighted in Camus' story 'The Guest' ?