

**St. Joseph's Evening College, Autonomous**  
**Optional English Syllabus**

Semester IV (60 hours)

**Indian English Literature (and Translation) (Paper IV)**

**Unit I**

A brief introduction to Indian Literature (10 hours)

- Bhakti Movement-An introductory note
- A History of Indian Writing in English
- Partition Literature
- Feminism in India

**Unit II**

Prose (8 hours)

1. Mulk Raj Anand: The Barber's Trade Union
2. Bhisham Sahni: Tamas (Chapter 1 & 2)

**Unit III**

Poetry (20 hours)

1. Basavanna: 'Rich build temples for Shiva'
2. Meera Bai: 'Nothing is really Mine'
3. Sarojini Naidu: The Broken Wing
4. A K Ramanujan: Obituary
5. Aga Shahid Ali: Postcard from Kashmir

**Unit IV**

Drama (11 hours)

1. Vijay Tendulkar: Silence! The Court is in Session (Act One)

**Unit V**

Novel (11 hours)

1. R K Narayan: The Guide (Full text)

**External References/ Readings**

1. A History of Indian writing in English by KRS Iyenger
2. Speaking of Siva by A K Ramanujan
3. Perishable Empires – Meenakshi Mukherjee.