NCERT SOLUTIONS

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Chapter : 6

Chapter Name : The Ghat of the Only World

Q1 What impressions of Shahid do you gather from the piece?

Answer. Shahid Ali was a great scholar and a profound teacher who had always been revered by his students. Hailing from Kashmir, it has always been a cherished subject to his writings. He was a religion tolerant person who never liked the dirty games played in the name of religion as a part of politics. He was such a valour personality that not even the chronic disease like Cancer could stop his spirits to soar high in the sky.

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Q2 How do Shahid and the writer react to the knowledge that Shahid is going to die?

Answer. As a natural human instinct Shahid Ali got scared when he learned that death is near to him. He realises his end is nearer with each passing day. He even requested the writer to write something for him when he dies. The writer promised him to do so and started keeping the record of his conversations with Shahid. After his death, the writer successfully fulfilled his duty to abide by his promise.

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Q3 Look up the dictionary for the meaning of the word ‘Diaspora’. What do you understand of the Indian diaspora from this piece?

Answer. 'Diaspora' means the regions where dispersed groups of homogeneous entity reside, taken collectively.

In the text we come across, Shahid who hailed from Kashmir but migrated to America later. Agha Shahid, his siblings, Suketu Mehta and the writer forms the Indian Diaspora in America.

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