

WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2022

ENGADSE04T-ENGLISH (DSE3/4)

LITERARY CRITICISM

Time Allotted: 2 Hours Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.

Students will not attempt Essay Type and Short/RTC Questions from the Same Text

1. Answer any *three* of the following questions, each in about 500 words:

 $15 \times 3 = 45$

- (a) What are the critical ideas enunciated in Chapter XIII of *Biographia Literaria*? Discuss.
- (b) What are Virginia Woolf's views on modern fiction in her essay 'Modern Fiction'?
- (c) What is the role of individual talent in the creative process of a poet as elucidated by T.S. Eliot in his essay 'Tradition and the Individual Talent'?
- (d) Critically analyse situational paradox as shown by Brooks in Wordsworth's poems in 'The Language of Paradox'.
- (e) Gerda Lerner in the 'Introduction' to *The Creation of Patriarchy* opines that 'patriarchy as a system is historical'. Discuss.
- 2. Answer any *one* of the following questions, each in about 250 words:

 $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (a) Briefly comment on Coleridge's concept of Primary Imagination.
- (b) How, according to Virginia Woolf, is Mr. Joyce different from the 'materialists'?
- (c) 'Poetry is not a turning loose of emotion, but an escape from emotion'. What does T. S. Eliot mean by this statement?
- (d) Why does Brooks opine that 'Donne takes both love and religion seriously'?
- (e) Why does Gerda Lerner say that there is a fundamental error in trying to conceptualize women primarily as victims?
 - **N.B.:** Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.

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