4 SEM TDC ENGH (CBCS) C 10

2024

(May/June)

ENGLISH

(Core)

Paper : C-10

(British Literature : 19th Century)

Full Marks: 80
Pass Marks: 32

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

UNIT—I

1. Answer any one of the following:

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(a) Some critics applaud Austen's ability to craft psychologically complex and believable character, while others believe she mostly creates well-drawn comic stock characters. Which argument do you support? Discuss with examples from the text.

- (b) How does Elizabeth's forerightness and independence represent an attack on the conservatism of characters like Lady Catherine De Bourgh in Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice?
- (c) Examine Austen's use of irony throughout the novel *Pride and Prejudice*. Give examples of structural irony as well as irony within the narrator's description and character's dialogue.

UNIT-II

2. Answer any one of the following:

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- (a) Discuss the contrast between images of ice and fire in Jane Eyre.
- (b) What does the novel Jane Eyre say about the social class system in England?
- (c) How does Charlotte Bronte incorporate elements of the Gothic tradition in Jane Eyre? Examine critically.

UNIT-III

3. Answer any one of the following:

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- (a) Critically discuss the representation of Victorian society in Dickens' Hard Times.
- (b) Critically analyse the climax of Charles Dickens' *Hard Times*.
- (c) Compare the character of Gradgrind and Bounderby in Dickens' Hard Times.

UNIT-IV

4. Answer any one of the following:

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- (a) What does Christina Rossetti's poem, Goblin Market convey about the position of women in Victorian society?
- (b) Discuss critically the central theme of Tennyson's *Ulysses*.
- (c) Discuss the concept of nation in The Defence of Lucknow by Tennyson.

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UNIT-V

5. Answer any four of the following: $5\times4=20$

- (a) What is the greatest fault of Mr. Darcy in Austen's *Pride and Prejudice?*
- (b) How does Pemberley symbolize Mr. Darcy in *Pride and Prejudice?*
- (c) How is Mrs Fairfax described in Jane Eyre?
- (d) What does the red room symbolize in Bronte's Jane Eyre?
- (e) What is the role of Sissy Jupe in Dickens' Hard Times?
- (f) What Philosophy does Mr. Gradgrind consider most important in Hard Times?
- (g) Comment on the style and art of the poem, Fra Lippo Lippi by Robert Browning.
- (h) Discuss briefly Browning's My Last Duchess as a dramatic monologue.
- (i) What are the literary devices used by Tennyson in *The Defence of Lucknow*?
- (j) How does Lizzie save Laura from the mischievous snare of the goblins?
