U.G. 5th Semester Examination - 2021 ENGLISH

Course Code: BENGDSHT1 [DSE1]

Course Title: History of English Literature (OE to 1798)

Full Marks: 40 Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any ten questions of the following:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$

- a) In which Anglo-Saxon poem is a female warrior the protagonist? Who is the poet?
- b) Who wrote *Utopia* and who translated it into English?
- c) "Here's God's plenty" Who said this and about which work?
- d) Which book inspired the writing of *Apologie for Poetrie* by Philip Sidney?
- e) Mention two features of Metaphysical poetry.
- f) What is an epistolary novel? Give an example.

- g) Name any two graveyard poets of the Eighteenth century.
- h) How many poets are included in Samuel Johnson's *Lives of Poets*?
- Name two metrical romances relating to the Matter of England.
- j) Name two Diarists of the Seventeenth century.
- k) Which is the first comedy in English literature?
- 1) Who introduced sonnet to English literature?
- m) What is the significance of the year 1066?
- n) Who printed for the first time in England and when?
- o) What is the name of the elegy that Milton wrote?
- 2. Answer any **five** of the following questions: $2 \times 5 = 10$
 - a) Which plays of Shakespeare are considered as Dark comedies and why?
 - b) What is the name of the personal satire that Dryden wrote? Whom did he satirise?
 - c) What is a picaresque novel?
 - d) Name two Cavalier poets. Why are they so called?
 - e) When were the theatres of London closed and why?

- f) Why is the first half of the eighteenth century called the Augustan Age?
- g) Name the manuscripts in which Old English poetry is preserved.
- h) Name the different phases of Chaucer's literary career mentioning one work from each phase.
- 3. Answer any **two** of the following questions: $5 \times 2 = 10$
 - a) Write a short note on Anglo-Saxon elegies.
 - b) Write a short note on Restoration comedy.
 - c) Write a short note on Elizabethan prose.
- 4. Answer any **one** of the following questions:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- a) Make a critical assessment of the Anglo-Saxon prose with special reference to the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle.
- b) Make a critical assessment of the contribution of Chaucer to English literature.
- c) Make an analysis of the contribution of the precursors of Romanticism.
