U.G. 4th Semester Examination - 2022

ENGLISH [HONOURS]

Course Code: BENGCCHT 403

Course Title: British Literature-19th Century

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** of the following: $1 \times 10 = 10$
 - a) Why does Fitzwilliam refrain from marriage?
 - b) Name the sisters in Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*.
 - c) How many years have the Bennets been married?
 - d) When was Dickens's *Hard Times* first published?
 - e) What is the observatory in *Hard Times*?
 - f) What, according to Gradgrind, is the only faculty to which education should be addressed?

- g) Who brought Gynis letter for Eustacia to the captain's house?
- h) What is Gynis vocation towards the end of the novel?
- i) Whom does the poet refer to as 'love' in 'Dover Beach'?
- j) Who is Telemachus?
- k) What is referred to as the 'distant Northern Sea'?
- 1) What kind of poem is 'My Last Duchess'?
- m) Who is 'Neptune' as referred to in 'My Last Duchess'?
- n) Who painted the picture of the Last Duchess?
- o) What is 'Hyades' as referred to in 'Ulysses'?
- 2. Answer any **five** of the following: $2 \times 5 = 10$
 - a) Who were Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner? Where did they live?
 - b) Who is Stephen Bounderby?
 - c) Who tells Clym about his mother's last words? What does he say?
 - d) "He works his work, I mine."—Who is the speaker? Who is referred to as 'He'?

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- e) What is the source of Tennyson's 'Ulysses'?
- f) Where is Dover Beach situated?
- g) What is meant by the "naked shingles of the world"?
- h) "Then all smiles stopped together"—Who is the speaker? What was the occasion?
- 3. Answer any **two** of the following: $5 \times 2 = 10$
 - a) Comment on how the Duke of Ferrara unwittingly reveals himself in "My Last Duchess".
 - b) "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield".—
 Explain with reference to the context.
 - c) Critically comment on the role of 'sea' in Arnold's "Dover Beach".
- 4. Answer any **one** of the following: $10 \times 1 = 10$
 - a) Analyse the character of Elizabeth Bennet in *Pride and Prejudice*.
 - b) Attempt a comparative study between the characters of Ulysses and Telemachus as you find in Tennyson's 'Ulysses'.
 - c) Analyse Robert Browning's "My Last Duchess" as a representative Victorian poem.