U.G. 5th Semester Examination - 2021 ENGLISH

Course Code: BENGDSHT2 [DSE2]

Course Title: Literary Criticism

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 questions:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$

- a) How many editions are there of the "Preface to Lyrical Ballads"?
- b) What was the occasion of writing "Preface to Lyrical Ballads"?
- c) What does the Preface to Lyrical Ballads say about the language of poetry?
- d) Why does Sidney refer to Pugliano in *Apology* for *Poetry*?
- e) How does Sidney relate to the words 'vates' and 'poietes'?

- f) What, according to Coleridge, did Descartes mean by the expression "give me matter and motion and I will construct you the universe"?
- g) What does Coleridge mean by secondary imagination?
- h) What are the two cardinal points of poetry that Coleridge frequently discussed with his neighbour, Mr. Wordsworth?
- i) What does Richard mean by 'phantom problem'?
- j) How, according to Richards, art can be "pernicious" in its effects?
- k) Define 'tradition' after Eliot.
- Why does Eliot think that "much learning deadens or perverts poetic sensibility"?
- m) What is Woolf's opinion about Mr. Wells?
- n) "They attempt to come closer to life,..." Whom does this remark by Woolf refer to?
- o) What was the original title of the essay "Modern Fiction" at the time of its first publication?
- 2. Answer any **five** of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

a) What does Wordsworth say about the role of the poet in "Preface to Lyrical Ballads"?

- b) How does Preface to Lyrical Ballads chart a new course for English poetry?
- c) What, according to Sidney, are the charges against poetry?
- d) How does poetry, according to Sidney, teach with delight?
- e) What does Eliot say about impersonal poetry in his essay "Tradition and Individual Talent"?
- f) How does Eliot define 'timeless' and 'temporal' in "Tradition and Individual Talent"?
- g) What does Woolf say about the Russian influence on fiction?
- h) What are the titles of the first two chapters of Richard's *Principles of Literary Criticism*?
- 3. Answer any two of the following questions:

$$5 \times 2 = 10$$

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- a) What, according to Eliot, is the role that individual talent plays?
- b) Write a short note on Coleridge's idea of 'Organic Wholeness of poetry'.
- c) How has Sidney defended poetry over history?

4. Answer any **one** of the following questions:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- a) Explain after Coleridge the difference between fancy and imagination.
- b) How does I. A. Richard's ideas contribute to the canon of literary formalism?
- c) How does Woolf want a modern author of fiction to negotiate with the genre of fiction?
