U.G. 2nd Semester Examination - 2021 ENGLISH [HONOURS]

Course Code: BENGGEHT3A

Course Title: Selections from English Prose and Poems

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) What did the Gymkhana Grounds look like after Gaiety Land arrived in the town?
- b) What notice did municipality send the narrator?
- c) What is the full name of R. K. Narayan?
- d) What crime did Mr. Thurlow commit?
- e) How much money did Mrs. Thurlow saved for the future of her children?

- f) What is the daily routine of Mrs. Thurlow?
- g) What is meant by the phrase 'darling buds of May'?
- h) Who is 'thee' in the sonnet, 'Shall I Compare Thee to a Summers Day'?
- i) What does Tennyson mean by the 'moaning of the bar'?
- j) What is the full name of P. B. Shelley?
- k) What is the meaning of the phrase 'gauzy veil'?
- 1) What trees will the poet grow at Innisfree?
- m) What does Innisfree symbolize?
- n) How much is the reward for the prisoner in 'The Rising of the Moon'?
- o) What is the metaphorical meaning of the title 'The Rising of the Moon'?
- 2. Answer any **five** of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

- a) "It was a fine sight"- Describe the 'fine sight' as stated in R.K. Narayan's "Engine Trouble".
- b) Describe the physical appearance of Mrs. Thurlow.

- c) Who wishes to cross the 'bar' and why?
- d) What is the mood of the poem 'The Moon' by P. B. Shelley?
- e) What is the meaning of the word 'temperate'?
- f) What is the main theme of the play 'The Rising of the Moon'?
- g) What is the real name of Lady Gregory?
- h) How does the poet describe the lake's waves in 'The Lake Isle of Innisfree'?
- 3. Answer any **two** of the following questions:

$$5 \times 2 = 10$$

- a) "That's a queer thought now, and a true thought"- Identify the speaker. Describe the 'thought'?
- b) Write a short note on the theme of the sonnet, "Shall I Compare Thee to a Summer's Day"?
- c) What are the poet's hopes regarding his final journey in the poem "Crossing the Bar"?
- 4. Answer any **one** of the following questions:

$$10 \times 1 = 10$$

a) Write a brief note on the significance of the title, 'The Ox'.

- b) Give a description of the troubles caused by the engine in Narayan's 'Engine Trouble'.
- c) Discuss Tennyson as a Victorian poet with special reference to the poem, 'Crossing the Bar'.
