B.A./B.Sc. (Hons.) 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester (2122)

# **ENGLISH**

Paper: 16th & 17th Century Literature

Time Allowed: Three Hours [Maximum Marks: 90

Note: Unit-I is compulsory. Attempt FIVE questions in all. Attempt any 3 out of 4 questions given in Unit-II.

# UNIT-I

# (Compulsory Question)

1. Discuss the salient features of essay writing with reference to the prescribed texts in your syllabus.

## OR

Does the Renaissance impact the literature of the 16th & 17th Centuries? Discuss based on the prescribed texts in your syllabus.

2. Explain with reference to the context by choosing at least one from each part:

(a) For when my outward action doth demonstrate
The native act and figure of my heart
In compliment extern, tis not long after
But I will wear my heart upon my sleeve
For daws to peck at: I am not what I am.

OR

What cannot be preserv'd when fortune takes,
Patience here injury a mockery makes.
The robb'd that smiles steals something from the thief;
He robs himself that spends a bootless grief.

(b) Wee can dye by it, if not live by love,
And if unfit for tombes or hearse
Our legend bee, it will be fit for verse;
And if no piece of chronicle wee prove
We'll build in sonnets pretty rooms; ....

#### OR

I have a sinne of feare, that when I have spunne My last thread, I shall perish on the shore; Sweare by thy selfe, that at my death thy sunne Shall shine as it shines now, and here to fore; And having done that, Thou hast done, I have no more.

(c) It was the winter wild,
While the heaven-born child
All meanly wrapt in the rude manger lies;
Nature, in awe to him
Had doff'd her gaudy trim,
With her great Master so to sympathize
It was no season then for her
To wanton with the Sun, her lusty paramour.

# OR

...What in me is dark

Illumine, what is low raise and support;

That to the height of this great argument
I may assert eternal Providence
And justify the ways of God to men.

 $3 \times 5 = 15$ 

#### UNIT-II

3. Write a note on the use of soliloquies in Othello.

#### OR

Bring out the contrast between Desdemona and Emilia.

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 Bacon's essay "Of Studies" rightly examines studies to "Serve for Delight, for Ornament and for Ability." Discuss.

# OR

Discuss the three fruits of friendship as described by Bacon in his essay 'Of Friendship'.

5. Is the poem "The Canonization" based upon a paradox?

#### OR

Critically analyze Donne's "The Relique" as a Love Poem.

6. "On His Blindness" explain Milton's deep faith in the ways of God. How far do you agree?

# OR

Expand on the theme of disobedience and punishment based on Milton's poem "Of Man's First Disobedience". 20