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V Semester B.A. Degree Examination, March/April - 2024

OPTIONAL ENGLISH

Literary Criticism and Theory

(NEP Scheme)

Paper : II



Time : 2½ Hours

Maximum Marks : 60

Instructions to Candidates:

Answer all the Sections.

SECTION - A

UNIT - I

- I. Answer any **TWO** of the following in about **150** words. (2×5=10)
1. Trace the growth of literary criticism in the age of the British Romantics.
 2. What are the contributions of Mathew Arnold towards the development of critical tradition in England?
 3. Write a note on T S Eliot.
 4. What are the two stages of Leavis' work as a literary critic?

SECTION - B

UNIT - II

- II. Answer any **TWO** of the following in about **150** words. (2×5=10)
1. Identify and discuss the six essential parts of a tragedy, as mentioned by Aristotle.
 2. What is the importance of Character in tragedy?
 3. What are the two fold functions of the poetical faculty as mentioned by Shelley?
 4. According to Coleridge, what were the factors that led to the criticism of wordworth's 'Lyrical Ballads'?
- III. Answer any **ONE** of the following in about **300** words. (10)
1. Discuss the elements of tragedy and their fundamental components.
 2. How does Coleridge differentiate between Fancy and imagination?
 3. What are Shelley's views on the nature of poetry and its effect upon society?

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SECTION - C

UNIT - III

- IV.** Answer any **TWO** of the following in about **150** words. **(2×5=10)**
1. What, according to Eliot, is the end of criticism?
 2. According to Lawrence how does the novel reflect the wholeness of a human being?
 3. Write a note on Middleton Murry's views on Classicism and Romanticism.
 4. In what way is the use of language in scientific treatises, political speeches, popular science and poetry different, according to I.A Richards.
- V.** Answer any **ONE** of the following in about **300** words. **(10)**
1. How does D.H. Lawrence in his essay, 'Why the Novel Matters', highlight the superiority of the novel over other forms of literature?
 2. What are the tools and main function of criticism according to Eliot's essay "The Function of Criticism"?
 3. Discuss the four kinds of meaning according to I.A. Richards.

SECTION - D

UNIT - IV

- VI.** Answer any **TWO** of the following in about **150** words. **(2×5=10)**
1. Difference between literary criticism and literary theory.
 2. Write a note on the emergence of post - structuralism in the late 1960s and its relationship with structuralism.
 3. List and elaborate on the objectives of feminist critics as outlined in the text.
 4. What does ecocriticism seek to study, explore and analyse?
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