M.Phil 1st Semester Examination, 2019

ENGLISH

PAPER - ENG-112

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

1. Answer any two questions:

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(a) (i) Do you agree with Freud's psychoanalytical observation that civilizational laws are causes of discontent? Argue in favour of your answer.

Or

(ii) Write a short note on Saussure's discourse on the value of Linguistics from the conceptual view point.

(b) (i) Write an essay on Foucault's ideas about the "rules that govern the construction of an author."

Or

- (ii) According to Barthes, the Text, "reads without the inscription of the Father".

 Do you subscribe to this view? Discuss.
- (c) (i) Would you consider Derrida's analysis of the 'structurality of structure' post-structuralist? Discuss.

Or

(ii) How does Said relate *Orientalism* to post-colonialism in his Afterword to the work?

2. Comment on the following:

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(a) (i) How does Freud explain the notion of the "Oceanic" in "Civilization and its Discontents"?

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- (ii) "Phonemes are above all else opposing, relative, and negative entities."
- (b) (i) "Founders of discursivity".

Or

- (ii) "The text is tissue, a woven fabric".
- (c) (i) Explain Derrida'a reference to Levi-Strauss in "Structure, Sign and Play."

Or

(ii) "Each age and society recreates its 'others'."