

MA 1st Semester Examination, 2019

ENGLISH

PAPER —ENG-101

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 : 8 × 2
- (a) Write a short note on Chaucer's use of irony in *The General Prologue to the Canterbury Tales*.
- (b) Write a brief essay on Shakespeare's attitude to the dark lady with close reference to Sonnet 130.

- (c) How appropriate is the title of the poem, "The Canonization" ?
- (d) Comment on Pope's use of satire in the portrayal of Atticus in "An Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot".

2. Comment on any *four* of the following : 4 × 4

- (a) The portrayal of the Clerk of Oxenford.
- (b) Donne's use of the Phoenix image.
- (c) Any two couplets from Shakespeare's sonnet sequence in which the poet attempts to externalise his friend's beauty.
- (d) The role of Arbuthnot in Pope's 'Epistle'.
- (e) The significance of the image of 'balme' in "Extasic".
- (f) "Husbands at Church door she had five".
- (g) The opening two lines of "An Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot".
- (h) "And yet, by heaven, I think my love as rare
As any she belied with false compare."

3. Answer any *four* questions : 2 × 4

- (a) "A Cristofre on his brest of silver shene" – About whom is it said ? Bring home the allusion to "Cristofre".
- (b) What does Shakespeare mean when he writes, "Love's fire heats water cools not love" ?
- (c) Name two satires and their authors that provoked Pope to write the *Epistle*.
- (d) Refer to two images of mortality and loss in Donne's poem "The Canonization".
- (e) Who were Bufo and Baries ?
- (f) Comment on the opening of *The Prologue to the Canterbury Tales*.
- (g) Which real garden is the model for the garden in the poem of the same name by Marvell ?
- (h) What does Shakespeare mean by "the darling buds of May" ?
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