

MA 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

ENGLISH

PAPER —ENG-303

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

Answer all questions

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* of the following : 8 × 2

(a) Why does Tagore describe Nationalism as 'a great menace' ? Discuss with special reference to *Nationalism in India*.

- (b) Consider *Orientalism* as a political doctrine intended to prove the orient as weaker than the West.
- (c) Write a note on Walcott's presentation of imagery in his poem "Goats and Monkeys".
- (d) How does E. M. Forster develop the idea that any intimacy between the colonizer and the colonized is politically inconvenient in *A Passage to India* ?

2. Answer any *four* of the following : 4 × 4

- (a) What, according to Tagore, is the point of parallelism between America and India ?
- (b) Why does Tagore say that the history of America is free from 'all unclean entanglements' ?
- (c) Comment on Orient as Europe's 'Other'.
- (d) Comment on the personal dimension of Said's interpretation of Orientalism.

- (e) Comment on "The Gorilla Wrestles with the Superman".
- (f) Comment on "How Can I Turn From Africa and Live ?" .
- (g) Briefly bring out the significance of the scene of the tea party arranged by Fielding in *A Passage to India*.
- (h) Discuss briefly in what way Forster's *A Passage to India* was influenced by Walt Whitman.

3. Answer any *four* of the following : 2 × 4

- (a) 'India is no Beggar of the West' – What is the context of this statement ?
- (b) "The Party Split ... " which party does Tagore allude to in this context ?
- (c) In which year was Said's *Orientalism* published ? Where did Said complete the first draft of *Orientalism* ?

- (d) Name the two major European powers that began the project of Orientalism. When did it begin ?
- (e) What is meant by 'Brutish Necessity' in Walcott's poem 'A Far Cry From Africa' ?
- (f) Who was Eurydice ? What is the significance of this character in Walcott's poem 'Goats and Monkeys' ?
- (g) In which town was the story of *A Passage to India* set ? What are the two parts of the town ?
- (h) Name any two Indian friends of Aziz.
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