# M.A. 4th Semester Examination, 2024 ENGLISH

PAPER - ENG-404B

Full Marks: 50

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

- A. Answer any two of the following:  $10 \times 2$
- 1. (a) Critically examine Valmiki's presentation on a Dalit family in *Joothan*?

## Or

(b) "Dalit is not a caste identity, but a political one." Illustrate the statement with reference to Valmiki's *Joothan*.

2. (a) Comment on the allusions used by Dr. Ambedkar in his speech at Mahad.

#### Or

- (b) Discuss Dr. Ambedkar's portrayal of caste based discrimination in his speech at Mahad.
- 3. (a) What, are the salient features of Marathi Dalit poetry? Discuss with reference to the poems you have read.

# Or

- (b) Comment on the representation of pain and suffering in modern Marathi Dalit poetry.
- 4. (a) Discuss the impact of Partition in the creation of a new class of Dalits in "The Other Jew".

## Or

- (b) Justify the title of Anil Gharai's "Reincarnation of Parashuram".
- **B.** Comment on any four of the following:  $5 \times 4$
- 5. Bama's description of her school days.
- **6.** The Buddhist Literature Conference episode in *Joothan*.

- 7. "The Brahmins do not have the patriotism of the Samurais of Japan."
- 8. Dr. Ambedkar's view regarding intermarriage.
- 9. "I spit on this great civilization Is this land yours, mother, because you were born here? Is it mine because I was born to you?"
- 10. The use of any two major symbols in Anil Gharai's "Reincarnation of Parashuram".

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]