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2023

ENGLISH

PAPER-I

Time Allowed — 3 Hours

Full Marks — 200

If the questions attempted are in excess of the prescribed number, only the questions attempted first up to the prescribed number shall be valued and the remaining ones ignored.

Section-A

1. Write an essay on *any one* of the following: 40×1=40
- (a) Literature has a greater outreach since the advent of digitization.
 - (b) Literature and reality shape each other.
 - (c) WhatsApp is changing language.

Section-B

Answer *any two* of the following: 40×2=80

2. (a) Compare Lady Macbeth and Rosalind as dynamic female characters in *Macbeth* and *As You Like It*.

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- (b) What role do the Greek allusions play in *Edward II*?
- (c) What is the main theme of 'To His Coy Mistress'?
- (d) Why is 'Dejection' a 'quit without a pang'? Explain with reference to 'Dejection: an Ode'.
- (e) Examine 'The Last Ride Together' as a poem of consolation.
- (f) 'How Do I Love Thee' makes a statement about love, choice and freedom. Discuss.
- (g) How does Pope use the mockheroic genre to satirize society in the Rape of the Lock?

Section-C

3. Answer *any two* of the following questions: 40×2=80
- (a) What is Jane Austen's attitude to class in 'Pride and Prejudice'?
 - (b) Write a critical analysis of the character of Michael Henchard in *The Mayor of Casterbridge*.
 - (c) Discuss Huck as an archetypal hero.
 - (d) How is social class shown to be significant in 'Wuthering Heights'?
 - (e) Why isn't Frankenstein's monster given a name?

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