U.G. 5th Semester Examination - 2021 ENGLISH [HONOURS]

Course Code: ENGH-CC-T-12

Full Marks : 60 Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ 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.

GROUP-A

- 1. Answer any **ten** of the following questions: $2 \times 10 = 20$
 - a) What does the speaker refer to as 'death-in-life and life-in-death'?
 - b) What is mentioned as 'miracle' in 'Byzantium'?
 - c) What is meant by 'holy fire' in 'Sailing to Byzantium'?
 - d) What is the function of the 'tree outside the window' in 'The Mark on the Wall'?
 - e) What is the purpose of using the phrase 'Not with a bang' in 'The Hollow Men'?

- f) Give an instance of T. S. Eliot's use of conceit in 'The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock'.
- g) Explain the analogy with which T. S. Eliot concludes 'Preludes'.
- h) What does the speaker mean by the 'conscience of a blackened street'?
- i) What is meant by the 'Greater Community' in W.H. Auden's poem?
- j) What are the findings of the 'researchers into Public Opinion'?
- k) 'It is a matter of great importance'. What is the storyteller referring to?
- 1) 'Beyond, the long garden sloped down to a bushcovered brook course'. Refer to the flowers and vegetables found in the area.
- m) What was the mission of Mr. Davidson?
- n) What was Mrs. Davidson's reaction to men and women wearing the lava-lava?
- o) 'It was chrysanthemums when I married him, and chrysanthemums when you were born, and the first time they ever brought him home drunk, he'd got brown chrysanthemums in his button-hole'. Does

- this remark throw any light on the speaker's state of mind?
- p) Identify the metaphor for an 'aged man' in the second stanza of 'Sailing to Byzantium'.
- 2. Answer any **four** of the following questions:

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) Give an account of the city at midnight as found in the opening stanza of 'Byzantium'.
- b) Do you find free association of ideas in Virginia Woolf's storytelling?
- c) Write a note on the source of the title of T. S. Eliot's 'The Hollow Men'.
- d) Would you like to view 'The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock' as a radical departure from the Elizabethan or Romantic tradition of writing love poems?
- e) Explain the analogy with which T. S. Eliot concludes 'Preludes'.
- f) Does the unknown citizen in W. H. Auden's poem fully conform to the demands of an omnipresent state?
- g) What does the gold bird signify in 'Sailing to Byzantium'?

- h) How does Mr. Davidson treat Miss Thompson?
- Briefly describe the socioeconomic aspects of the early twentieth century British working-class life as it is represented in D. H. Lawrence's story.

GROUP-B

- 3. Answer any **two** of the following questions : $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - a) Write a note on J. M. Synge's adaptation of elements in Irish folklore and legends in *Riders* to the Sea.
 - b) How does a domestic tragedy assume universal significance in *Riders to the Sea*?
 - c) Is it justified to view Stephen Dedalus as a youthful version of James Joyce? Discuss.
 - d) Was Heart of Darkness prompted mainly by Conrad's own journey into the Congo in 1890? Argue.