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Second Semester B.A. LL.B. (Five Year Integrated) Degree Examination, February 2025

PAPER I: POETRY

(2020 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

- I. Answer any **five** of the following in **a** sentences or **two**. Each question carries **2** marks.
- 1. What is symbol in poetry?
- 2. Define ode. Give an example from English literature.
- 3. What is a simile? Give an example.
- 4. What is meant by dramatic monologue? Write an example.
- 5. What is a lyric poem?
- 6. What is imagery in literature?
- 7. Define haiku.
- 8. What is meant by elegy? Give an example.
- 9. What is a mock epic? Give an example.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

II. Write paragraphs of about 100 words on any five choosing at least 2 from each group. Each question carries 6 marks.

GROUP - A

- Bring out the elegiac elements in the poem "Elegy Written in a Country 1. Churchyard."
- 2. What did the lover do after he strangled Porphyria?
- 3. Why did the traveler decide to take the road less traveled? Library
- How does Macavity break the law of gravity? 4.
- What is the myth used in the poem "Not My Best Side?" 5.

GROUP - B

- Differentiate between rhyme and rhythm. Explain why they are important in 6. poetry.
- How is alliteration different from assonance? Illustrate your answer with 7. examples.
- What is an epic? What are its major conventions? 8.
- 9. Contrasting features of subjective and objective poetry.
- 10. What is a sonnet? Explain the two major types of sonnets.

 $(5 \times 6 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

- III. Write an essay in about 250 words on any two of the following. Each question carries 15 marks.
- Explain why the lover is not disturbed at the thought of bidding farewell to his 1. beloved in the poem "A Valediction Forbidding Mourning."
- 2. Discuss the supernatural atmosphere in the poem "Kubla Khan."

- 3. How does Bertolt Brecht express his strong and abiding faith in the greatness of mankind through his poem "General, Your Tank?"
- 4. Discuss the poem "Prayer Before Birth" as a comment on society.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

IV. Read the following extract and answer the questions given below. Each question carries 2 marks.

I don't know politics but I know the names
Of those in power, and can repeat them like
Days of week, or names of months, beginning with Nehru.
I am Indian, very brown, born in Malabar,
I speak three languages, write in
Two, dream in one.
Don't write in English, they said, English is
Not your mother-tongue. Why not leave
Me alone, critics, friends, visiting cousins,
Every one of you? Why not let me speak in
Any language I like? The language I speak,
Becomes mine, its distortions, its queernesses
All mine, mine alone.

- 1. Why does the speaker say that she knows the names of those in power?
- 2. How does the speaker introduce herself?
- 3. Why is the speaker forbidden to use English?
- 4. Why is the speaker not happy with the people around her?
- 5. Why does the speaker ask 'everyone' to let her speak in the language she likes?

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ Marks})$