U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2019 ENGLISH [HONOURS]

Course Code: ENGH-CC-T-VII

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.

Answer all the questions.

1. Answer any ten of the following questions:

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- a) "If she inspire and he approve my lays". Who are referred to as 'she' and 'he' respectively in these lines?
- b) Describe in brief two important tasks assigned to the "bright inhabitants of air."
- "With varying vanities, from every part,They shift the moving toyshop of their heart".—Who are referred to here as 'they'? What is meant by 'moving toyshop'?

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- d) "A heavenly image in the glass appears,To that she bends, to that her eyes she rears".—Who is she? What is the 'heavenly image'?
- e) "And now, unveiled, the toilet stands displayed,
 Each silver vase in mystic order laid."
 —Whose toilet is referred to here? What does 'each silver vase contain'?
- f) What is the topical significance of 'Lion hill' and 'Siloa's brook' in Book I of *Paradise Lost*?
- g) Bring out the significance of the line:"Fallen Cherab, to be weak is miserable,Doing or suffereing".
- h) With whom does Milton compare Leviathan and why?
- i) "This nymph, to the destruction of mankind, Nourished two locks, which graceful hung behind".
 - —Who is the 'nymph'? What happened to her 'two locks'?
- j) With which objects does Milton compare Satan's spear and the shield?
- k) Why does Milton refer to the brooks in Vallombrosa in *Paradise Lost*, Book I? Who are Orion and Busiris?

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- What is the function of 'the potent rod/ of Amaram's son'?
- m) What did Moloch do to Solomon and why?
- n) What is the other name of Chemos?
- o) Whom did the Syrian girls mourn and why?
- 2. Answer any four of the following questions:

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- a) How far do you think that the epic similies contained in *Paradise Lost*, Book I successfully convey the ideas they intend to communicate? Discuss with reference to any one example.
- b) How far do you think the speeches of Satan in *Paradise Lost*, Book I support the notion that "Milton was of the Devil's party without knowing it"? Discuss with suitable arguments and illustrations.
- c) Assess critically the thematic significance of the Invocation section in Book I, *Paradise Lost*.
- Analyse critically the characteristics of grand style that Milton employs in *Paradise Lost*, Book I.

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- e) What characteristics of 'mock-heroic' satire do you detect in *The Rope of the Lock*, Books I and II? Discuss with suitable illustration from the text.
- f) Write a short note on the use supernatural machinery in *The Rope of the Lock*, Books I and II.
- 3. Answer any one of the following questions:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$

- a) Comment critically on the Italian background to the play *The Duchess of Malfi*.
- b) Do you consider Bosola in *The Duchess of Malfi* to be a Machiavellian Villain? Justify your answer with suitable arguments.
- 4. Answer any one of the following questions:

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- a) Assess how Aphre Behn's *The Rover* assimilates the various characteristics and conventions of Restoration comedy of Manners while retaining the individuality in plot and characterisation.
- b) Assess critically the manifold complexities and ramifications of man-woman relationship depicted in the play *The Rover* by Aphra Behn.