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Max. Marks: 75

Name

M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2020

SEMESTER 2 : ENGLISH

COURSE : 16P2ENGT07 : MODERNISM IN CONTEXT

(For Regular - 2019 Admission & Supplementary 2018/2017/2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

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Section A Answer any 6 (3 marks each)

- 1. Write a short note on Modernism and the novel.
- 2. Which writers do Virginia Woolf call Materialist? Why
- 3. Explain the significance of the line "I think we are in a rat's alley"
- 4. How does Thom Gunn examine the life force at its most elemental level in the poem "Considering the Snail"?
- 5. Analyse the character of Bartley in the play *Riders to the sea*.
- 6. Write a note on the significance of the myth of Daedalus in the novel *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man.*
- 7. What is the significance of the title A Passage to India?
- 8. Write a note on Joyce's cosmic regionalism as revealed in the novel A Portrait of the Artist as a
- 9. Young Man. What are David Harvey's observations on the "Project of Modernity"

(3 x 6 = 18)

Section B Answer any 5 (6 marks each)

- 10. Who are writers Virginia Woolf refers to as Materialist? Why
- 11. Write a note on Dadaism.
- 12. Comment briefly on the term "Great Divide" with reference to the essay by Malcolm Bradbury and James Macfarlane
- 13. What is the significance of the title 'What the thunder said'?
- 14. Regard "Musee des Arts" as a commentary on man's indifference to his fellow beings.
- 15. Explain how death is depicted in the play Riders to the Sea?
- 16. Write a note on the significance of the Indian landscape depicted in *A Passage to India*.
- 17. Comment on the language and silence in *A Passage to India*.

(6 x 5 = 30)

Section C

Answer any 1 (12 marks each)

- 18. Comment on the major biblical allusions in the poem 'The Waste Land'
- 19. Consider the poem "Byzantium" as a metaphor for spiritual journey.
- 20. How does Galsworthy throw light on the dark aspects of the society through his play *Strife*?

(12 x 1 = 12)

Section D Answer any 1 (15 marks each)

- 21. How do the modern poets project the themes of disillusionment, fragmentation and alienation of man from society through their writings? Substantiate your answer in the light of the prescribed works.
- 22. Discuss the features of Modernism as exemplified in the prescribed novels of Lawrence, E M Foster and Joyce.
- 23. "Modernism internalized its own maelstrom of ambiguities, contradictions, and pulsating aesthetic changes at the same time, as it sought to affect the aesthetics of daily life". Discuss.

(15 x 1 = 15)