M. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - JULY 2021

SEMESTER 2 : ENGLISH

COURSE : 16P2ENGT07 : MODERNISM IN CONTEXT

(For Regular - 2020 Admission and Supplementary 2019/2018/2017/2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

PART A

Answer any 6 (3 marks each)

- 1. Differentiate between Modernism Vs Post Modernism.
- 2. Explain the nexus between capitalist expansion and the modern epoch.
- 3. Which are the different kinds of cultural upheavals? In which type does Modernism fall into?
- 4. Write a note on the sources of 'The Waste Land'
- 5. Discuss "Windhover" as a nature poem.
- 6. Why is it said that the last temptation is the greatest treason?
- 7. Elaborate the significance of the three day retreat in the novel *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man.*
- 8. What is the relevance of the title *Heart of Darkness?*
- 9. Write a note on the effectiveness of the stream of consciousness technique in the novel *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man.*

(3 x 6 = 18)

PART B

Answer any 5 (6 marks each)

- 10. Write a note on David Harvey's observations on the "Project of Modernity"
- 11. Explain time-space compression in Harvey's essay.
- 12. The name "Modernism" is semantically mobile. Explain.
- 13. Comment on the Shakespearian allusions in the poem 'The Waste Land'.
- 14. Comment on the images of victimization in the poem "Daddy".
- 15. Discuss the sea as a provider and destroyer in the play *Riders to the Sea*.
- 16. Consider A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man as a Kunstlerroman novel.
- 17. Discuss E M Foster as a Victorian and modern writer.

(6 x 5 = 30)

PART C

Answer any 1 (12 marks each)

- 18. Do you think the poem 'The Waste Land' is hopeful in its mood? Why?
- 19. "Daddy" had a cathartic effect on Plath. Discuss.
- 20. Write an essay on *Strife* as a drama of social realism.

(12 x 1 = 12)

PART D

Answer any 1 (15 marks each)

- 21. Hopkins, Yeats, Auden, and Dylan Thomas were innovative in different ways. Substantiate.
- 22. "It is a task of the novelist to convey this varying, this unknown and uncircumscribed spirit of life." Analyse Virginia Wolf's statement in the light of the novels prescribed for study.
- 23. How does the modernist poetry reflect the pervasive sense of disillusionment about the current state of affairs in the modern society, especially the post-world war Europe.

(15 x 1 = 15)

Max. Marks: 75