

M.A (ENGLISH) Semester - 2 (CBCS) Examination
March/April – 2025 (As Per Syllabus Year-2018)
LITERATURE IN ENGLISH 1832-1901(CORE)

Time: 2.30 Hours

Mark: 70

Instructions:

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. Figures to the right indicate marks.

Q-1 Write a critical overview of the main social and literary characteristics of the Victorian period. (14)

OR

Q-1 Who were the main writers of the Victorian Age? Describe their important literary contributions.

Q-2 Define the term dramatic monologue and discuss how Tennyson's poem *Ulysses* fits the features of a dramatic monologue. (14)

OR

Q-2 Write a critical appreciation of Lord Alfred Tennyson's poem *In Memoriam*.

Q-3 Discuss *Unto This Last* as a response to the political and economic conditions of the 19th century. (14)

OR

Q-3 Discuss why John Ruskin chose the title *Unto This Last* and how it connects to the main message of the work.

Q-4 Explain how Hardy shows that Tess faces injustice because of the beliefs and values of her society. (14)

OR

Q-4 Discuss how Hardy uses nature and fate to shape the story of *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*.

Q-5 Write brief notes on ANY TWO of following: (14)

- 1) Major political developments during the Victorian Age.
- 2) Key message of the ballad *The Lady of Shalott*.
- 3) Ruskin's Idea of True Wealth
- 4) Angel Clare
