

2022

ENGLISH

[GENERIC]

(B.A. Third Semester-End Examination-2022)

PAPER: GE3

Full Marks: 60

Time: 03 Hrs

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

1. Attempt any ten of the following questions. 2×10= 20

- i) "You cannot miss that inn." — Who says this and to whom? Why does the speaker say so?
- ii) What is meant by 'resting place' in Christina Rossetti's poem "Up-Hill"?
- iii) What does the speaker mean by 'morn to night' in "Up-Hill"?
- iv) Who called Elizabeth Barrett Browning a 'Portuguese'? Why?
- v) "I could not die with You." Why does the speaker say so?

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- vi) When was the poem "How Do I Love Thee?" first published? Who coaxed the poet to publish this sonnet?
- vii) Why, according to Emily Dickinson, is 'Death' a privilege?
- viii) "*She falls like a tear from the eyes of a bride.*" — What is actually mentioned in the line?
- ix) When and in which volume of poetry was the poem "Palanquin Bearers" first published?
- x) Who sang the song in the poem "Palanquin Bearers"? Why were they singing?
- xi) What are the two inventions of the two women universities of Ladyland?
- xii) What is the meaning of Purdhanashin in *Sultana's Dream*?
- xiii) What is the basic difference between 'Zenana' and 'Mardana' as you find in *Sultana's Dream*?
- xiv) What type of work *Amar Jibon* is? In which year was it published?
- xv) Write the name of God who is worshipped by Rassundari Devi.

2. Attempt any four of the following questions. 4×5=20

- i) Narrate, in brief, how Rassundari Devi got her education.

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- ii) How is the Queen of Ladyland? Discuss briefly.
- iii) "*Will there be beds for me and all who seek? Yea, beds for all who come.*" — Comment on it.
- iv) "*But is there for the night a resting place? A roof for when the slow dark hours begin.*" — Comment on it.
- v) Write a brief note on the significance of dream in *Sultana's Dream*.
- vi) "*We bear her along like a pearl on a string.*" — Explain.
- vii) How did Rassundari Devi struggle to establish honourably in the society?

3. Attempt any two of the following questions. 10×2=20

- i) Can we consider *Sultana's Dream* as a feminist utopian fiction?
- ii) Consider Christina Rossetti's "Up-Hill" as an allegorical poem.
- iii) Comment on Elizabeth Barrett Browning's treatment of the theme of love in "How Do I Love Thee?"
- iv) Comment on the aptness of the title "I Cannot Live with You"