

Paper : DSE-A-2
(Literary Theory and Literary Criticism)

Full Marks : 65

Group - A

Answer *any two* questions (within 600 words each).

1. What, according to Gramsci, are the functions of an intellectual in a given society? 15
2. Discuss the arguments put forth by Virginia Woolf to advance the idea that economic freedom is essential for women to become writers. 15
3. "I am not against one nation in particular, but against the general idea of all nations." Discuss Tagore's view on nationalism based on this comment. Do you agree with his views? 10+5

Group - B

Answer *any two* questions (within 600 words each).

4. Discuss Wordsworth's theory of poetic diction. Is it different from the language of prose? 10+5
5. Discuss Coleridge's views on 'poem' and 'poetry' as described in the selected chapters of *Biographia Literaria*. 15
6. What does Eliot mean by the term 'tradition'? How does 'tradition' influence the growth of an individual artist? 5+10

Group - C

7. Answer *any five* of the following questions : 1×5
 - (a) Who is an 'unproductive worker'?
 - (b) Who is Mary Beton?
 - (c) How, according to Tagore, is America and India similar to one another?
 - (d) Who, according to Wordsworth, is a poet?
 - (e) Whom does Coleridge describe as the 'Venerable Sage of Koenigsberg'?
 - (f) Why does Eliot say that 'emotion recollected in tranquility' is an 'inexact formula'?
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