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P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – JUNE 2021

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

FIRST YEAR

THEORY OF LITERATURE

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 75

PART - A

 $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in 50 words.

- 1. Highlight the major functions of Literature.
- 2. "Literature is considered as self-contained and self-retained" Discuss.
- 3. What is your opinion on including and interpreting a literary work in comparison with the biography of the writer?
- 4. Explain in detail about the current trends in Literature.
- 5. What are the elements needed in a Biography to make it more interesting?

PART - B

 $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in 150 words.

- 6. Write about the different types and characteristics of Drama.
- 7. Write about the two major types of odes.
- 8. Write a short note on Minority Literary Forms.
- 9. What are the main characteristics of a Short Story?
- 10. Explain the emergence of The Theatre of Absurd.

PART - C

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any TWO questions.

- 11. What is the need of Literature and art forms in a technologically driven world?
- 12. Explain
 - i) Plot
 - ii) Character
 - iii) Thought
 - iv) Song
 - v) Spectacle
- 13. Explain in detail the different genres of novels.
- 14. What are the different types of Poetry? Explain in detail.
- 15. Explain the genre "Essays" and write a note on the role of contributors.

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P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – JUNE 2021

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

FIRST YEAR

THEORY OF LITERATURE

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 70

PART - A

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$

Answer any FIVE questions in about 300 words.

- 1. What is meant by biography of an author?
- 2. What are the major themes of literature?
- 3. Write any five elements of fiction
- 4. How do you write an essay?
- 5. Define rhythm.
- 6. What are the three genres of drama?
- 7. Define figure of speech.
- 8. Why is theatre called as a playhouse?

PART - B

 $(3 \times 15 = 45 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in about 1000 words.

- 9. Write an essay on the themes of literature.
- 10. How does the author's own life experience shape his writings? Explain.
- 11. How does a short story differ from a novel? Explain.
- 12. How do the figures of speech lend themselves to poetry? Explain.
- 13. How can drama be a specific mode of fiction? Discuss.

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COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

FIRST YEAR

THEORY OF COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 75

PART - A $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 1. What is thematology?
- 2. What is meant by Analogy? Give a few examples.
- 3. What are the types and importance of Analogy?
- 4. What is the role of translation in Comparative Literature?
- 5. Explain in detail the elements used in World Literature.

PART - B $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 6. What is your point of view about the literary adaptation into a film? Does Film adaptation ruin the Literariness?
- 7. How was the impact of colonial rule on the growth of literature in India?
- 8. Elucidate the central idea behind the French School of Comparative Literature.
- 9. Write a short note on American School of Comparative Literature.
- 10. Explain the origin and characteristics of Comparative Literature.

PART - C $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any TWO questions.

- 11. Explain in detail Comparative Literature from Indian point of view.
- 12. Elucidate the Historical context in undermining the birth of Comparative Literature.
- 13. Differentiate the ideals of Comparative Literature from Nationalistic Literature.
- 14. How can Indian Aesthetics be considered as unique in comparison with the Western school of thought?
- 15. Explain in detail the contributions of Russian School of Comparative Literature.

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P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – JUNE 2021 COMPARATIVE LITERATURE SECOND YEAR

INDIAN LITERARY CRITICISM

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 75

PART - A

 $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in 50 words.

1. How significant are the segregated chapters dealt in Tholkappiyam?

- 2. What is the significance of Rasa theory in Natyshastra?
- 3. Ravi Shankar commented Rabindranath Tagore as "been born in the West he would now be revered as Shakespeare and Goethe." Comment.
- 4. Write a short note on Amir Khusro.
- 5. How does Aurobindo define 'Mantra' and 'Anandha' in his work?

PART - B

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in 150 words.

- 6. Write about the four kinds of musical instruments.
- 7. What does Khusro mean by saying 'Music captivates the wild deer'?
- 8. What are the characteristics of poetry according to Aurobindo?
- 9. What was the major idea Amir Khusro derived from *Natyasashtra?*
- 10. Analyse the relevance of non-fictional writing by Tagore to general ideas of society.

PART - C $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any TWO questions in 300 words.

- 11. Explain four kinds of syntax used in *Tholkappiyam* and define all the four in your own words.
- 12. Bring out the critical ideas of Amir Khusro on diversified languages of India.
- 13. Explain how Natyashastra proves to be an ideal book of art?
- 14. Write an essay on the major aspects in which Gandhi and Tagore had contrary opinions.
- 15. Write an essay on Aurobindo's criticism on various European writers.

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COMPARATIVE STUDIES IN POETRY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 75

PART - A

 $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in 50 words.

- 1. Describe the religious concept of Shelly.
- 2. What is Walt Whitman's idea of death in his poetry?
- 3. Write about Bharati's translation of Tagore's work.
- 4. Write about Yeat's use of Indian themes.
- 5. Write about Eliot's theme of isolation.

PART - B

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any THREE questions in 150 words.

- 6. Write about myth making in Shelly's and Bharathidasan's works.
- 7. Sketch the life of Manikavasagar.
- 8. Write about Yeat's fascination with Tagore.
- 9. Compare and contrast Thiruvalluvar's Thirukkural and Bacon's Essays.
- 10. Wordsworth as a romantic poet Justify.

PART - C $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any TWO questions in 300 words.

- 11. Walt Whitman and Bharati as modern poets Discuss.
- 12. Write about the religious ideas of G.M. Hopkins.
- 13. Why is Subramania Bharati not as renowned as Rabindranath Tagore? Discuss.
- 14. Point out the similarities between Yeats and Tagore.
- 15. Criticise the translation of Tagore by Bharathi.

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COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

SECOND YEAR

COMPARATIVE STUDIES IN FICTION

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 75

PART - A

 $(3 \times 5 = 15 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 1. How has Puthumaippiththan effectively used stream of consciousness and satire in comparison to Western writers?
- 2. How does Jane Austen and Lakshmi differ with their approach to society?
- 3. How is Stream of consciousness used in a novel?
- 4. What is the significance of A Room of One's Own?
- 5. How is James Joyce's *Ulysses* a divergent work of the age?

PART - B

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 6. Write a note on William Faulkner's writing style.
- 7. Discuss the connection between James Joyce and the city of Dublin.
- 8. Write on the increased interest in reading during the time of Jane Austen.
- 9. Describe Virginia Woolf's contribution to the stream of consciousness.
- 10. Write short notes on the writing career of William Faulkner.

 $PART - C \qquad (2 \times 15 = 30 Marks)$

Answer any TWO questions.

- 11. Make a comparative study of the predicaments of women characters in novels of Jane Austen and Lakshmi.
- 12. Describe the two different approaches towards untouchability in the works of Jayakanthan and Mulk Raj Anand.
- 13. Write a note on the distinguished career of Mulk Raj Anand.