

2015

M.A.

1<sup>st</sup> Semester Examination

ENGLISH

PAPER – ENG – 101

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 Hours

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

1. Answer any *two* of the following questions taking *one each* from any *two* of the following units : **14 x 2**

**UNIT – 01**

- (a) Critically examine Chaucer's art of characterization with special reference to any two of the ecclesiastical characters in the *General Prologue to the Canterbury Tales*.
- (b) Comment on the moral design of Spenser's *The Fairie Queene, Bk. I* with reference to the major characters.

**UNIT – 02**

- (c) Examine Donne's treatment of love in "The Extasie".
- (d) Comment on Milton's portrayal of the Garden of Eden in *Paradise Lost Bk. IV*.

**UNIT – 03**

- (e) Pope's "An Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot" is an attack on Pope's detractors and a defence of his own character and career. – Discuss.
- (f) Blake's "London" is a great satire on contemporary London society. Discuss with reference to the poem.

2. Comment on the following :

**4 x 3**

- (a) (i) "My wit is short, ye may wel understonde."

OR

- (ii) The role of Una in *The Fairie Queene, Bk. I*

- (b) (i) "Apollo hunted Daphne so,

Only that she might laurel grow."

OR

- (ii) "Woe to the inhabitants on Earth ! that now,

While time was, our first parents had been warned."

- (c) (i) Portrait of Bufo in Pope's "Epistle".

OR

- (ii) When the stars threw down their spears

And water'd heaven with their tears.

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