

THE UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN

B.A. Semester VI (Honours) Examination 2020 (CBCS)

Subject: English

Paper: DSE-3

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to answer in their own words
as far as practicable.*

1. Answer **any six** of the following questions: 5x6=30
 - a. Briefly discuss the idea of class in the context of Marxist literary theory.
 - b. Briefly explain, with one suitable example, the term 'logocentrism'.
 - c. What do you understand by the term 'androgyny'?
 - d. How, according to Poststructuralism, does the Hyper-real regulate our perception of the Real?
 - e. Critically comment on the term *Écriture féminine*.
 - f. Write a short note on the operations of gender in any literary text that you have read.
 - g. Write a short note on the idea of the nation state.
 - h. What do you understand by diaspora? Answer briefly.

 2. Answer **any three** of the following questions: 10X3=30
 - a. Discuss the interrelations among Base, Superstructure and Production according to Marxist Theory.
 - b. How does Derrida's theory of Deconstruction link the ideas of *absence*, *difference* and *deference* in reading a text? Discuss.
 - c. Elucidate the arguments behind Simone De Beauvoir's famous idea of "One is not born a woman but becomes one."
 - d. Discuss the psychological dimension of the colonizer-colonized relationship with reference to any one of the following theorists: Fanon, Bhaba, Said.
 - e. Critically comment on the role of language in a colonial enterprise.
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