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M.A. 4th Semester (CBCS Scheme) (w.e.f. May-2018)
(Re-appear) Examination, December-2022
LITERARY CRITICISM AND THEORY-II
Paper-17ENG24C4

Time allowed : 3 hours] [Maximum marks : 80

Note : All questions are compulsory.

1. Attempt any **Four** questions out of given six in about 200 words each choosing at least **one** from each unit.

Unit-I

- (a) Comment on the linguistic sign unit as discussed by Saussure.
(b) Discuss the two aspects of linguistic signs as illustrated by Saussure.

Unit-II

- (c) How does Sigmund Freud interpret dreams?
(d) Discuss the two interpretations of dreams as enunciated by Sigmund Freud.

Unit-III

- (d) Comment on Foucault's theory of discourse.
(e) According to Raymond Williams " Culture is ordinary: that is where we must start" Comment.

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Unit-I

2. Why did Saussure emphasise that "The Linguistic Sign is arbitrary". Discuss.

Or

Critically evaluate Saussure's essay "Nature of the Linguistic Sign".

Unit-II

3. "The interpretation of dreams is the royal road to a knowledge of the unconscious activities of the mind." Elaborate.

Or

"Freud's theory also implies that dreams are not independently functional but rather a coproduct of the sleeping brain, reflecting the dreamer's physiological and psychological activities such as memory consolidation, emotion regulation, and reception of external stimuli" Do you agree? Give a reasoned answer.

Unit-III

4. "Discourse transmits and produces power; it reinforces it, but also undermines and exposes it, renders it fragile and makes it possible to thwart" Discuss.

Or

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According to Foucault, "discourse is not only a linguistic phenomenon rather it is social too." Comment.

Unit-IV

5. Discuss the two senses of Culture as illustrated by Raymond Williams in the essay "Culture is Ordinary".

Or

Critically evaluate Raymond Williams's essay "Culture is Ordinary"

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