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Ph. D. (ENGLISH)

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Term-End Examination

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REG-102 : LITERACY THEORY AND CRITICISM

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

*Note : Answer any four questions. All questions
carry equal marks.*

1. Explain the importance of Bharata's
Natyashastra in the Indian critical tradition.

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2. Can gender be viewed as a part of strict
binaries or an integrated presence ? Give a
reasoned answer.

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3. Read the extract below and analyze of from a gendered perspective : 25

“.....The caged bird sings
with a fearful trill
of things unknown
but longed for still
and his tune is heard
on the distant hill
for the caged bird
sings of freedom.....”

4. What are the characteristics of post-colonial literatures ? Explain with examples from texts that you have read. 25
5. Show your acquaintance with Edward Said in terms of his contribution to the post-colonial theory. 25
6. How is literature a strategy for post-colonial survival ? Discuss with reference to any literary text. 25
7. Discuss your ideas about 'Subaltern Studies'. 25
8. How does cultural materialism influence cultural ecology and literature ? 25