

Ph.D. IN ENGLISH (PHDEG)

Term-End Examination

December, 2021

REG-102 : LITERARY THEORY AND CRITICISM

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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

1. What do you understand by structuralist criticism ? Illustrate. 20
2. How does the study of culture impact the study of literature ? Exemplify. 20
3. Outline the main aspects of the 'Dhwani Siddhanta'. 20

OR

Do you think that Indian critical concepts can be employed to read contemporary literary texts ? Support your answer with suitable examples.

4. Is there a difference in themes between the literature from 'settler' colonies vis-à-vis literature from formerly colonised nations like Africa and India ? 20

OR

Even though colonization by European powers has ended, does the legacy of colonialism still exist ? Substantiate your answer with examples.

5. The Cultural Materialists read a literary text in such a way so as to enable us to 'recover its histories'. Critically comment on this statement. 20
 6. Pick a film/literary piece and discuss it from a gender perspective. 20
 7. 'Interdisciplinarity' is crucial to the efficacy and success of all research. Explain with suitable examples. 20
 8. Originality and uniqueness are the primary drivers of the research process. How does your proposed study demonstrate this ? Give a detailed answer. 20
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