

**MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN
ENGLISH**

Term-End Examination

05575

June, 2018

MEG-1 : BRITISH POETRY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer question no. 1 and any **four** from the remaining questions.

1. Explain any **two** of the following passages with reference to their contexts and supply brief critical comments where necessary : 10+10=20

- (a) Was it a dreame, or did I see it playne ?

A goodly table of pure yvory,
All spred with juncats, fit to entertayne
The greatest Prince with pompous roialty.

- (b) Thou by *the Indian Ganges'* side.

Should'st Rubies find : I by the Tide
Of *Humber* would complain. I would
Love you ten years before the Flood;
And you should if you please refuse
Till the Conversion of the *Jews*.

4. Evaluate *The Triumph of Life* in the light of the opinion that "Shelley achieves the sublime". 20
5. Would you agree with the point of view that Oscar Wilde's *The Ballad of Reading Gaol* suggests the futility of Christian ethics and loss of faith in Christianity ? Illustrate your answer with suitable examples from the text of the poem. 20
6. Write a critique of W.B. Yeats as a modernist poet. 20
7. Critically evaluate any *one* of the following poems : 20
- (a) 'Childe Roland to the Dark Tower Came'
 - (b) 'A Valediction : Forbidding Mourning'
 - (c) 'Mr Bleaney'
 - (d) 'The Colossus'
 - (e) 'Fern Hill'
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