MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH (MEG)

Term-End Examination June, 2023 MEG-01: BRITISH POETRY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: (i) Question No. 1 is compulsory.

(ii) Attempt five questions in all.

(iii) All questions carry equal marks.

Compulsory

- 1. Answer any *two* of the following with reference to the context: $2\times10=20$
 - (a) Was it a dreame, or did I see it playne, a goodly table of pure yvory : all spred with iuncats, fit to entertayne, the greatest prince with pompous roialty.
 - (b) All human things are subject to decay, And when fate summons monarchs must obey.

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(c) Morning and eveningMaids heard the goblins cry:"Come buy our orched fruits,Come buy, come buy:"

(d) That is no country for old men
The young

In one another's arms, birds in the trees

-Those dying generations — at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas.

Note: Answer any *four* of the following.

- 2. Examine the main characteristics of metaphysical poetry, giving examples from the poems in your course.
- 3. Analyze the different thematic strands in 'Lycidias'.
- 4. Would you consider Alexander Pope's 'An Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot' to be a satire?

 Discuss.
- 5. Comment on the "Uniqueness of Byron and Shelley" as poets.

- 6. Discuss the Pre-Raphaelite treatment of women based on your reading of 'My Sister's Sleep' and 'The Blessed Damozel'.
- 7. Write a critique of any **one** of the following poets:
 - (a) Andrew Marvell
 - (b) T. S. Eliot
 - (c) Oscar Wilde
 - (d) Dylan Thomas
- 8. Attempt a critical appreciation of any **one** of the following poems:
 - (a) 'Affection'
 - (b) 'Alexander's Feast on the Power of Music'
 - (c) 'The Waste Land'
 - (d) 'Fern Hill'/'Purdah'