B.A. First Semester Examination (ESE)-2024 (CCFUP :NEP)

[4-Year UG Programme] English

PAPER: UG/I/ENG/4/MI-1T

History of English Literature and English Language

Full Marks: 60 Time: 03 Hrs

The figures in the margin indicate marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Group A

Answer any ten questions of the following:

10x2 = 20

- 1. Name any two Old English Christian poets.
- 2. Name any two Old English elegies.
- 3. Mention one tragedy and one comedy by William Shakespeare.
- 4. What is 'metaphysical conceit'?
- 5. Who wrote *Leviathan* and in which year was it published?
- 6. Name two heroic tragedies by John Dryden.
- 7. Who composed "A short view of the Immorality and Profaneness of the English Stage"? In which year was it published?

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- 8. Name any two novels by Daniel Defoe.
- 9. Mention any two Precursors of Romanticism.
- 10. What are the two arguments of the Wife of Bath which she put forward in her defence of the married state?
- 11. How many husbands did the Wife of Bath have?
- 12. Write a brief philological note on any one of the following words: Gospel, Egg
- 13. "Of all men his wisdom is the highest / who never cares who has the world in his control." Comment.
- 14. "The bran, as I best can, now I must sell." Explain.
- 15. Identify any two Latin loan words in English.

Group B

Answer <u>any four</u> questions of the following:

4x5 = 20

- 16. Write a note on back-formation.
- 17. Define malapropism with two examples.
- 18. Briefly assess hybridism.
- 19. How did the Wife of Bath become partially deaf?
- 20. What is the difference between a 'Miracle Play' and a 'Mystery Play'? Discuss briefly.
- 21. Briefly illustrate the features of 18th century Picaresque novel.

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Group C

Answer any two questions of the following:

2x10 = 20

- 22. Write an essay on the Scandinavian influence on English language.
- 23. Discuss the Wife of Bath's attitude to love and marriage as reflected in *The Wife of Bath's Prologue*.
- 24. What are the major features of metaphysical poetry? Assess the contribution of John Donne to this particular genre.
- 25. When and how did the Restoration of monarchy take place in England? Evaluate the contribution of any two playwrights of the Restoration period.
