

KANYASHREE UNIVERSITY

M.A 3rd SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2022

Subject- English

Course- CC 12

Literary Theory-1

Full Marks- 40

Time- 2.00 Hours

1. Answer **any four** of the following questions:

(5x4) = 20

- a) "Human culture is connected to the physical world, affecting it and affected by it". Explain.
- b) "Poems are part of the energy pathways which sustain life." Explain.
- c) Can Marxism be conflated with Environmentalism? Answer briefly.
- d) Do you think that the post-natural world is a culture defined by its waste? Give reasons.
- e) "The orient is an integral part of European material civilization and culture". Explain.
- f) "Colonial discourse is an apparatus of power". Explain in context with Said's *Orientalism*.
- g) Write a short note on 'ambivalence' in the context of Bhabha's "The Other Question".
- h) How does Ahmad disapprove Bhabha's concept of 'hybridity' in "The Politics of Literary Postcoloniality"?

2. Answer **any one** of the following questions:

(10x1) =10

- a) Do you think Ecocriticism is, by nature, an interdisciplinary exercise? Explain with reference to Glotfelty's "Literary Studies in an age of environmental crisis".
- b) Critically comment on the concepts of 'Nature' and 'Culture' in connection with environmental literary studies.

3. Answer **any one** of the following questions:

(10x1) =10

- a) Discuss the concept of 'Other' as it applies to Said's *Orientalism*.
- b) How does Ngũgĩ offer an anti-imperialist perspective in *Decolonising the Mind*?