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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. General Part-II Examination, 2022

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

PAPER-V

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

GROUP-A

Answer any *two* of the following questions

13×2 = 26

1. Assess 'I Hear America Singing' as a poem of democratic spirit.
2. "Ulysses and Telemachus stand for two kinds of philosophy of life". Examine the validity of this statement with reference of Tennyson's 'Ulysses'.
3. Examine 'The Last Ride Together' as a dramatic monologue.
4. Consider Wilfred Owen's modernism with reference to 'Strange Meeting'.
5. Critically appreciate 'The Road Not Taken'.

GROUP-B

6. Answer any *three* of the following questions:

3×3 = 9

- (a) Bring out the significance of the line "I have miles to go before I sleep".
- (b) Comment on the title of the poem 'Strange Meeting'.
- (c) "My riding is better, by their leave". Why does the speaker make such a claim?
- (d) Critically examine the last line of Tennyson's 'Ulysses' – "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield".
- (e) Describe the varied carols the poet hears in 'I Hear America Singing'.

GROUP-C

7. Identify and explain the figures of speech contained in any *three* of the following:

3×3 = 9

- (a) He has a stony heart.
- (b) The pen is mightier than the sword.
- (c) He passed a busy life.

- (d) Better to reign in Hell than serve in Heaven.
- (e) O Death! Where is thy sting?
- (f) I fall upon the thorns of life! I bleed!

8. Scan any *one* of the following mentioning the metre and the variations, if any:

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(a) We look before and after

And pine for what is not

Our sincerest laughter

With some pain is fraught

Our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought.

(b) Home they brought her warrior dead,

She nor swooned nor uttered cry:

All her maiden watching said,

She must weep or she will die.

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