B.A. Semester VI (Honours) Examination 2021 (CBCS)

Subject: English

Paper: DSE-3

Time: 3 Hours Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to answer in their own words as far as practicable.

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

5X6 = 30

- a. How does the term 'culture industry' link 'culture' and the 'consumer'? Discuss briefly.
- b. Define 'dialectics' in Marxist theory.
- c. Elucidate with an example the idea of 'aporia' in deconstructionist theory.
- d. Comment on Foucault's idea of 'discourse' in poststructuralist theory.
- e. Illustrate with an example the concept of 'ecofeminism.'
- f. Comment on the idea of 'double colonization' in the context of postcolonial theory.
- g. Write a brief note on Bhabha's idea of 'mimicry.'
- h. Briefly discuss Fanon's idea of 'neocolonialism.'

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

10X3 = 30

- a. What is 'ideology' in Marxist theory? Briefly discuss, after Althusser, how the state regulates the subject by means of ISA.
- b. Discuss Barthes' contribution to the idea of poststructuralist reading of a text.
- c. Elucidate the basic tenets of 'Black feminism.'
- d. How does Judith Butler link 'gender' and 'performance'? Discuss.
- e. Discuss Said's idea of the Orient as a construct.