Paper Code- MINOR (MN-1A)

No. of Credits-04

Paper Title:

UNDERSTANDING LITERATURE

Full Marks:25 (SIE: 1Hr) +75 (ESE: 3 Hrs)=100

Pass Marks: (SIE+ESE)=40

Unit 1-

Literature- Definition, Meaning and Importance;

Poetry: Meaning and Varieties (Lyric, Ode, Sonnet, Elegy, Epic, Mock Epic, Ballad, Dramatic Monologue, Verse Drama)

Unit 2-

Drama: Meaning and Varieties (Miracle, Morality and Mystery Plays, Comedy, Tragedy, Tragi-comedy, The Problem Play, One Act Play)

Novel: Meaning and Varieties (Picaresque Novel, Domestic Novel, Historical Novel, Regional Novel, Psychological Novel, Science Fiction)

Unit 3-

Other Genres of Literature - Short Story, Satire, Allegory, Autobiography & Biography, Travelogue

Important Literary Terms - Prose, Verse, Imagery, Rhyme Scheme, Meter, Stanza, Plot, Sub-Plot, Theme, Exposition, Conflict, Denouement, Character, Setting, Chorus, Climax, Anti-climax, Irony

Unit 4-

Figures of Speech- Simile, Metaphor, Anti-thesis, Alliteration, Paradox, Pun, Transferred Epithet, Onomatopoeia, Anaphora, Synecdoche, Apostrophe, Hyperbole, Meiosis, Sarcasm, Metonymy, Oxymoron, Personification

Suggested Readings:

The Penguin Dictionary of literary terms and literary theory - J.A. Cuddon

A Glossary of Literary Terms - M.H. Abrams

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Distribution of Marks for Semester Internal Examination (SIE)-

The Semester Internal Examination (SIE) shall have two components:

- a. Semester Internal Assessment Test (SIA) of 20 marks
- b. Class Attendance Score (CAS) of 05 marks

In Semester Internal Assessment Test (SIA) there will be two groups of questions. Group A is compulsory which will contain two questions. Question no. 1 will be very short answer type (excluding multiple choice questions) consisting of five questions of 01 mark each. Question no. 2 will be short answer type of 05 marks. Group B will contain descriptive type two questions of 10 marks each, out of which any one is to be answered.

<u>Distribution of Marks for End Semester Examination (ESE) - (Total Marks-75)</u>

Group A - (Compulsory)

- i. 05 Very Short Answer Type Questions 1 x 5 = 5
 Altogether five questions will be set for this section (excluding multiple choice question), touching all the four Units. The examinee will be required to answer all the five questions.
- ii. 01 Short Answer Type Question (to be answered in approx. 250 words) = 5
 One short answer type question from the first two units (*Unit 1 and 2*) will be set.
- iii. 01 Short Answer Type Question (to be answered in approx. 250 words) = 5
 One short answer type question from the last two units (*Unit 3 and 4*) will be set.

Group B

iv. 04 Descriptive Type Question (to be answered in approx. 600 words)- 15x4 =60

Group B will contain six descriptive type questions, touching all the four Units. The examinee will be required to answer any four questions.

Note- If required, there may be subdivisions in each question asked.

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