3 (Sem-4/CBCS) ENG HC 2

2024

ENGLISH

(Honours Core)

Paper: ENG-HC-4026

(British Romantic Literature)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

- 1. Answer the following questions as directed: 1×10=10
 - (a) "On what wings dare he aspire?
 What the hand, dare seize the ____?"

 (Fill in the blank)
 - (b) How many times did the child ask the piper to pipe the song about a Lamb?
 - (c) Who is the 'proud Edward' mentioned in Scots Wha Hae?
 - (d) "The river glideth at his own sweet will"—Name the river.

(Turn Over)

- (e) "when like a roe
 I bounded o'er the mountains, by
 the sides
 Of the deep rivers, and the
 lonely streams"
 Name the poetic device used in these
 lines.
- (f) Name the sacred river mentioned in the poem, Kubla Khan.
- (g) Who think that warm days will never cease?
- (h) When was The Cenci first staged?
- (i) How will the poet follow the Nightingale when it flies away?
- (j) In which city was Victor Frankenstein born?
- 2. Answer the following questions: 2×5=10
 - (a) What did the Angel tell Tom?
 - (b) Who were asked to survey the grave of a bard in the poem, A Bard's Epitaph?
 - (c) Why does poet want to become the lyre of the West Wind?
 - (d) What does Keats mean by 'pure serene' in the poem, On First Looking into Chapman's Homer?

- (e) What is Victor's warning to Walton?
- **3.** Answer any *four* of the following questions: $5\times4=20$
 - (a) Briefly comment on the religious significance of Blake's poem, The Lamb.
 - (b) How does Wordsworth glorify the beauty of early-morning London?
 - (c) Dejection: An Ode is a dirge over the grave of creative imagination. Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
 - (d) Why does the poet call the West Wind destroyer and preserver?
 - (e) "Where are the songs of spring? Ay, Where are they? Think not of them, thou hast thy music too,—" Describe the music of autumn.
 - (f) How does Mary Shelley interrogate the very idea of monstrosity in Frankenstein?
- **4.** Answer any four of the following questions: $10\times4=40$
 - (a) How does Blake blend childlike innocence with adult wisdom in The Tyger?

- (b) "Robert Burns' poem, A Bard's Epitaph conveys a message of self-control and prudence as the basis of wisdom." Discuss.
- (c) Describe the nature of 'the loss' and the 'abundant recompense' referred to in Wordsworth's *Tintern Abbey*.
- (d) Kubla Khan is a quintessential romantic poem, concerned with creating of poetry and the role of imagination. Comment.
- (e) Estimate Shelley as a lyricist with particular reference to Ode to the West Wind.
- (f) Comment on Keats, treatment of the theme of permanence and transience in Ode to a Nightingale.
- (g) Frankenstein is a "multivalent text with possibilities of plural readings whose complexities cannot be unravelled by any single tool." Discuss.
- (h) Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* explores the debate around the "concept of human nature which began to be radically redefined in her time." Discuss.