2021

ENGLISH — HONOURS

Paper : CC-11

(Woman's Writing)

Full Marks: 65

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

1. Answer any five questions:

 1×5

- (a) What do oceans and prayer mean in 'I can not live with you'?
- (b) What does the phrase "lost saints" mean in 'How Do I Love Thee'?
- (c) In 'Advice to Women', what does the "Stare of perpetual surprise" teach?
- (d) In Mahasweta Devi's story, what was the name of Draupadi's husband?
- (e) What does Bertha discover about Pearl at the end of the story 'Bliss'?
- (f) What is inscribed above the entrance of Wuthering Heights?
- (g) Who is Dayamadhav in Amar Jiban?

2. Answer any one question:

15×1

- (a) Discuss how Emily Dickinson effectively combines the cerebral and the emotional in her poems. Answer with special reference to 'I can not live with you'.
- (b) Attempt a critical appreciation of either 'Advice to Women' or 'How do I love thee'.

3. Answer any two questions:

15×2

- (a) Critically examine the role played by Shug in Celie's assertion of self in Color Purple.
- (b) Consider Wuthering Heights as a novel of passion and revenge.
- (c) In 'Draupadi', Mahasweta Devi uses the body as a site of resistance to counter violence. Discuss.
- (d) Comment on the portrayal of marriage in Katherine Mansfield's 'Bliss'.

4. Answer *any one* question :

15×1

- (a) Discuss Wollstonecraft's response to Rousseau's view on the education of women in A Vindication of the Rights of Women.
- (b) How did Rassundari educate herself and what drove her determination to be literate? Why was her experience considered exemplary?