Paper-VI

1. Answer any 2 (two) questions -15x2=30

- a) Would you consider "A Tale of Two Cities" as a historical novel or a romance? Give reasons for your answer.
- b) Write a short essay on the distinctive features of Pre-Raphaelite Poetry.
- c) Assess the contribution of major women novelists of the Victorian Period.
- d) Explain the significance of the title Riders to the Sea.
- e) Write a note on the use of symbols and imagery in Riders to the sea.
- f) Discuss Ulysses as a dramatic monologue.
- g) Discuss "Arms and the man" as an anti-romantic drama

2. Answer any 2 (two) -6x2=12

- a) Evaluate Robert Browning as a writer of dramatic monologue.
- b) Explain with reference to the context:

"It is the life of a young man to be going on the sea, and who would listen to an old woman with one thing and she saying it over."

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"They will be swift with the swiftness of a tigress,

None would break ranks though nations trek from progress."

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"Give us long rest or death, dark death, or dreamful ease."

- c) Discuss the symbolic significance of the swans in the "Wild Swans at Coole"
- d) Judge "Pied Beauty" as a specimen of modernist poetry
- e) Explain the line: "I cannot rest from travel"

3. Answer any 3 (three) -3x2=6

- a) What is the significance of the bronze statue of Neptune taming a sea horse?
- b) Name one novel written by Wilkie Collins.
- c) Name any two of the Georgian poets.
- d) What does Owen mean by 'Let us sleep now'?
- e) Explain the numeric symbol 'nine' in the play Riders to the Sea.
- f) Is Riders to the Sea a tragedy of Fate or Necessity?
- g) How far the world the Aran Islands is different from the outer world?
- h) Why should we only toil, the roof and crown of things?.. Explain.
- i) Comment on the image of mermaids in the "Lovesong of J Alfred Prufrock"
- i) How many swans did the speaker count in Coole? What does the number signify?
- k) What is meant by "Pied" in "Pied Beauty"?
- 1) What does the Thrush symbolize in "The Darkling Thrush"?

4. Answer any 2 (two) -2x1=2

- a) Name two women poets of the Victorian age.
- b) What is the pseudonym of Charlotte Bronte?
- c) Who was the author of "The Origin of Species"?
- d) Name one play of Tennyson.