

M.A.(Sem-II) July-2023

English -Literary Theory and Criticism -II

Time: 2.30 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 75

Q.1. "Text is a tissue of quotations". Explain Barthes' statement in the light of the essay that you have studied. 15

OR

'Baudrillard's philosophy implicates that a system of empty signs which signal the destruction of original reality has permeated into human society and sensibility'. Discuss.

Q.2. What, according to Fredric Jameson, are the problems and paradoxes of post modernism? How does Jameson make a Marxist evaluation of postmodernism in "The Politics of Theory: Ideological positions in the post modernism debate"? 15

OR

How does Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak examine the various schools and practices of feminism in "Feminism and the Critical Theory"?

Q.3. Explain how Wolfgang Iser combines Phenomenology and Reading Response Theory in "Reading Process: A Phenomenological Approach"? 15

OR

What is the difference between Historicism and New Historicism, according to Stephen Greenblatt?

Q.4. Explain how Stuart Hall brings together the concerns of Postcolonial Criticism, Culture studies and Diaspora studies in "Cultural Identity and Diaspora." 15

OR

Discuss in detail the characteristic features of Ecocriticism as a critical practice.

Q.5. Write short notes on **any two** of the following: 15

- a. Concretization
- b. Hyper-reality
- c. Ecoconsciousness
- d. Cultural negotiation

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