2023 SRCMUJ 3rd Semester Examination M.A. ENGLISH ENG-302 Literary Theory and Criticism-I

Full Marks: 40 Time: 2 Hours

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 *two* of the following questions:

5×2

- a) What does Aristotle mean by "Beauty is a matter of size and order"?
- b) What arguments does Neander advance in defence of English plays?
- c) Comment on Coleridge's view on the 'Esemplastic' power of Imagination.
- d) Write a short note on Eliot's concept on 'Unification of sensibility'.
- 2. Answer any *three* of the following questions: 10×3
- a) Discuss how Aristotle establishes the superiority of Poetry over Philosophy and History in *Poetics*?
- b) Reproduce Dryden's remarks on the Elizabethan dramatists in *An Essay of Dramatic Poesy*.
- c) How does Coleridge show that metre is an integral part of a poem, and not merely, "pleasure superadded" in *Biographia Literaria*?
- d) "The historical sense," observes T S Eliot, "which is a sense of the time as well as of the temporal together, is what makes a writer traditional." Elucidate.
- e) Would you agree with Eliot's view that the metaphysical poets belong to the main tradition of English poetry? Give reasons for your answer.