

2024
SRMUJ
3rd Semester Examination
M.A.
English
ENG-304
Colonialism and Post-Colonialism

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 role did ideology play in justifying colonial hegemony?
- b) How does decolonization relate to postcolonialism?
- c) What role did the European colonial powers play in shaping the Western perception of the Orient, according to Said?
- d) What does Ashis Nandy mean by the “colonization of the mind” in *The Intimate Enemy*?

2. Answer any three of the following questions **10×3**

- a) How does Homi Bhabha’s concept of “mimicry” challenge colonial authority?
- b) Why is Tagore critical about Indian nationalism? Justify your answer with reference to the prescribed texts.
- c) Critically examine Edward Said’s concept of “Orientalism” as a ‘discourse’.
- d) Discuss the relationship between knowledge and power as explored in the Introduction to *Orientalism*.
- e) How does Ashis Nandy argue that colonialism reinforced hyper-masculinity among both the colonizer and the colonized?