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B.A. (Hons.) /I Sem.

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English—Paper I

(English Literature 4 (i))

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

(Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.)

All questions have to be attempted.

1. Write short critical explanatory notes on :

(a) Sissy Jupe's education

Or

Stephen Blackpool

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(b) Mr. Mennet

Or

Darcy's Letter to Elizabeth.

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(c) Write a short note on any *one* of the following :

(i) Depiction of the working class in the 19th century novel.

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(ii) Problems faced by the writers in the 19th century.

(iii) Doubt and faith in the Victorian Age.

(iv) Serialization of the novel.

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2. It has been said that the message of Jane Austen is a simple one : 'it is wrong to marry for money and foolish to marry without it'. Comment with reference to *Pride and Prejudice*.

Or

Jane Austen's "Two Inches of Ivory"...."is in substance an elephant's tusk; it is a savagely probing instrument." Examine the veracity of this statement with reference to *Pride and Prejudice*.

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3. What is Dickens trying to convey through his bleak depiction of the society and family in *Hard Times*. Give examples from the text to support your answer.

Or

How satisfactory do you find Dickens' portrayal of women characters in *Hard Times* ? What is his opinion about their social condition ?

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4. Answer any two :

- (a) How, according to Mill, have men enslaved the minds of women ? What is their aim in doing so ? Provide examples from the novels that have been prescribed for you to prove/disprove Mill's belief. 9
- (b) Which theory of Darwin would be distasteful to most people ? Why does he still insist on its being true ? 9
- (c) 'The ideas of the ruling class are in every epoch the ruling ideas.' Critically examine this statement of Marx. 9
- (d) What distinction does Matthew Arnold draw between Hellenism and Hebraism ? 9

