HPAS (Main)-2016

ENGLISH LITERATURE

Paper I

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Note:— Attempt five questions in all. Question No. 1 is compulsory. Attempt at least one question each from Section "A" and Section "B". All questions carry equal marks.

- (A) Account for the rise of the English novel in the
 18th century.
 - (B) What do you understand by the term "Victorian Compromise"? How is it manifested in the literary works of the age?

Section A

- 2. "The Tempest" is not merely a tale of magic, deception, revenge and marriage. It is much more. Bring out that extra significance of the play for the modern reader.
- (A) Metaphysical poetry is a blend of wit and passion.
 Discuss and illustrate from the poems of John
 Donne.
 - (B) How does Milton extol Satan and subtly cut him down in "Paradise Lost" Book-I. Discuss and illustrate.
- 4. (A) How do "Tintern Abbey" and the "Immortality
 Ode" reflect Wordsworth's philosophy of Man and
 Nature ? Discuss.

- (B) Tennyson's "Ulysses" and "Lotus Eaters" not only reflect two contrary moods/states of mind but also the Victorian conflict/sensibility. Discuss.
- 5. Ibsen's "Doll's House" embodies one of the earliest statements on Feminism. Do you agree?

 Discuss.

Section B

- 6. (A) Irony, satire and psychological realism are the three elements used by Jane Austen in "Pride and Prejudice". Discuss and illustrate.
 - (B) Critically examine the use of wit, humour and satire by Charles Dickens in "Hard Times".

- 7. "Hardy is no pessimist. He is a tragic writer" (Bonamy Dobree). How far do you agree? Discuss and illustrate from "Tess of D'Urbelvilles".
- 8. The primary theme in Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn" is the conflict between civilization and natural life.

 Discuss.