ENGLISH

Paper-II

Time: 3 Hours Full Marks: 100

Insturctions: (1) This question paper contains 12 questions.

- (2) Answer any 10 of the following questions.
- (3) Each question carries 10 (ten) marks.
- 1. Discuss dramatic monologue as a form of poetry, giving examples from the poets that you are familiar with.
- 2. Examine the dominant literary trends of the Restoration Age.
- 3. Elizabethan Age is considered as the 'Golden age of English drama'. Do you agree? Give reasons elaborating on the most prominent dramatists of that period.
- **4.** Comment critically on William Shakespeare's women characters choosing your favourite three Shakespearean women.
- 5. Give your reasons on the importance of the Lyrical Ballads and its year of publication.
- **6.** Attempt a critical appreciation of any one poem of Nissim Ezekiel or R. Parthasarathy.
- 7. What is Transcendentalism? Write an essay on the American Transcendentalist writers.
- **8.** Consider T. S. Eliot's poetic style discussing examples from the poems or plays you have studied.
- 9. Write short notes on any two of the following:
 - (a) Women's writing
 - (b) Feminist movement
 - (c) Literature and environment
 - (d) Stream of consciousness
 - (e) Epitaph
- 10. Imagine yourself to be a film or drama critic, who is given the task of writing a newspaper review of an art film or a play staged by the National School of Drama in your locality. Write a review, in not more than 150 to 200 words, critiquing the film or the performance.

- 11. Write a letter to the Secretary, North Eastern Council, requesting the NEC to create funds and extend financial support to conduct programs for special education in schools in your State.
- **12.** Attempt an essay or article in about 200 words emphasizing the need for modernization of education.