# STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600086 (for candidates admitted during the academic year 2019-20 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 19EL/PC/LB24

## M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023 BRANCH VII - ENGLISH SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE: CORE
TITLE: LITERATURE OF THE BRITISH ISLES-II
TIME: 3 HOURS
MAX. MARKS: 100

#### **SECTION A**

## I. Answer any four of the following in about 300 words each.

(4x10=40)

- 1. Critically study W.B. Yeats' poignant observation "That is no country for old men".
- 2. Analyse Gerard Manley Hopkins' poem "Pied Beauty".
- 3. Discuss the theme of death in "Do not Go Gentle into that Good Night".
- 4. Why do women retell myths and legends? Attempt an analysis of Carol Ann Duffy's "Mrs. Faust".
- 5. Comment on the persona's tone and attitude in "Whitsun Weddings".
- 6. How does Ishiguro represent personal history and political history in *The Remains of the Day*?

### **SECTION B**

#### II. Answer any three of the following in about 750 words each.

(3x20=60)

- 7. Examine Caryl Phillips' *Final Passage* as a study of racism, sexism, poverty and oppression.
- 8. Comment on the aspects of modernism in any two texts from your syllabus.
- 9. Evaluate your syllabus for Literature of the British Isles II and explain how it has enhanced your understanding of the same.
- 10. Comment on T.S. Eliot's *The Wasteland* as a portrait of a desolate world.
- 11. Assess the motifs, symbols and allegory in A History of the World in 10 ½ Chapters.

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