# T.Y.B.A. SEM – VI (2014 Course) : SUMMER - 2019 SUBJECT : ENGLISH : LITERARY CRITICISM : THEORY & PRACTICE – II

Day: Saturday Time: 0300 P.M. To 05.00 P.M. Date: 27/04/2019 S-2019-0129 Max. Marks: 40

N.B:

- 1) All questions are **COMPULSORY.**
- 2) Figures to the right indicate FULL marks.

Q.1 A) Write a note on 'Tragic Hero'?

(10)

OR

- B) Write short notes on any TWO of the following:
- a) Catharsis
- b) Hamertia
- c) Sidney's views on functions of poetry

Q.2 A) Discuss Arnold's views on the nature and function of criticism.

(10)

OR

- **B)** Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following:
- a) Antiquity and universality of poetry
- b) Sidney's definition of Heroic poetry
- c) Arnold's views on qualification of a critic

Q.3 A) Explain in detail Eliot's views on 'Classic'.

(10)

OR

- **B)** Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following:
- a) Qualification of a critic
- b) Comprehensiveness as an outstanding feature of a classic
- c) Eliot's views on Virgil

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## Time and the Machine Aldous Huxley

Our awareness of time has reached such a pitch of intensity that we suffer acutely whenever our travels take us into some corner of the world where people are not interested in minutes and seconds. The unpunctuality of the orient, for example, is appalling to those who come freshly from a land of fixed meal times and regular train services. For a modern American or Englishman, waiting is a psychological torture. An Indian accepts the blank hours with resignation, even with satisfaction. He has not lost the fine art of doing nothing. Our notion of time as a collection at minutes, each of which be filled with some business or amusement, is wholly alien to the oriental, just as it was wholly alien to the Greek. For the man who lives in a pre-industrial world, time moves at a slow and easy pace, he does not care about each minute, for the good reason that he has not been made conscious of the existence of minutes.

This brings us to a seeming paradox. Actually aware of the smallest constituent particles of time of time as measured by clock work and train arrivals and the resolution of machines industrialized man has to a great extent lost the old awareness of time in its larger divisions. The time of which we have knowledge is artificial machine made time of natural cosmic time as it is measured out Sun and Moon, we are for the most part most wholly unconscious.

### Points:

- 1) Authors views about Time.
- 2) Difference between 'Oriental sense of Time' and 'Western Sense of Time'.
- 3) What is seeming paradox about time?

#### OR

B) Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem with the help of the questions given below:

## In Church

... R.S. Thomas

Often I try

To analyse the quality

Of its silences. Is this where god hides

From my searching? I have stopped to listen,

After the few people have gone,

To the air recomposing itself

For vigil. It has waited like this

Since the stones grouped themselves about it

These are the hard ribs

Of a body that our prayers have failed

To animate, Shadows advance

From their corners to take, possession

Of places the light held

For an hour. The bats resume

Their business. The uneasiness of the pews ceases

There is not other sound

In the darkness but the sound of a man breathing, testing his faith

On emptiness, nailing his questions

One by one to an untenanted cross.

## **Questions:**

- 1) Who is the speaker? What kind of person is he?
- 2) What do you learn about the setting?
- 3) What is the theme of the poem?
- 4) Comment on the use of words and phrases: silences, vigil, hard ribs of a body
- 5) What is the attitude of the speaker to his religion?

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