2019

M.Phil.

2nd Semester Examination

ENGLISH

Paper - ENG 121

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

- 1. Answer *any two* questions from the following: $14 \times 2 = 28$
 - (a) "Since 1969 there has been an explosion of feminist writings without parallel in previous critical innovations" — Write a critical essay on any two of these writings with illustrations.

Or,

- (b) Show your acquaintance with the following:
 - (i) Gynocriticism
 - (ii) Fourth Wave of Feminism

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(c) Would you like to consider the poems of Kamala Das as feminine writings? Discuss with reference to any two poems of Das.

Or.

- (d) Write a brief essay on the appropriateness of the title of A Room of One's Own.
- (e) Write an essay discussing the representation of the response to Brati's death by the women characters in Mahasweta Devi's Mother of 1084, with special reference to any two of them.

Or,

- (f) Comment on the contemporary political background of *Mother of* 1084, with suitable illustrations from the text.
- 2. Comment on any three of the following: $4\times3=12$
 - (a) The image of the 'yellow cat' in 'The Sunshine Cat'.

Or,

(b) "Gift him all,

Gift him what makes you woman"

(c) The allusion to Shakespeare's 'wonderfully gifted sister, called Judith' in A Room of One's Own.

Or,

- (d) "And with Mrs. Behn we turn a very important corner on the road."
- (e) Significance or any one of the chapter titles of *Mother of 1084*.

Or.

(f) The author's use of Sujata's stomach-ache in *Mother of 1084*.