

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College affiliated to University of Calcutta)

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SECOND YEAR (BATCH 2018-21)

ENGLISH (Honours)

Paper : IV

Date : 26/09/2020

Time : 11.00 am – 1.00 pm

Full Marks : 25

1. Briefly answer any one of the following questions: [1×5]

- a) “Are God and Nature then at strife ...?” writes Tennyson in In Memoriam. What contemporary developments led Tennyson to pose such despairing questions in his poem?
- b) Who benefitted from the Corn Laws and who suffered?
- c) What types of alienation did the Industrial Revolution engender?

2. Answer any one of the following: [1×10]

- a) My Last Duchess is a study of the Renaissance view of marriage and women’s position in society. Discuss with suitable references to the poem.
- b) Comment on Arnold’s use of visual and aural imagery and other artistic devices in Dover Beach to give poetic expression to the Victorian conflict between doubt and faith.

3. Answer any one of the following: [1×10]

- a) Can *Hayavadana* be considered a modern classic? Give reasons for your answer.
- b) The feminist point of view finds a powerful expression in *Hayavadana*. Do you agree? Justify your answer.

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