First Year B.A., Degree Examination

August/September 2011

Directorate of Correspondence Course

ENGLISH OPTIONAL – I

Time: 3 hrs]   [Max.Marks: 70/80

Instructions to candidates:

1. *Students who have attended 30 marks IA Scheme will have to answer for total of 70 marks.*

2. *Students who have attended 20 marks IA Scheme will have to answer for total of 80 marks.*

3. *Section-B is compulsory for 80 marks Scheme only.*

SECTION – A

I.   A. *Annotate any TWO of the following:*   2 X 5 = 10

a) What immortal hand or eye
   Could frame thy fearful symmetry?

b) O thou soul of my soul! I shall clasp thee again
   And with God be the rest.

c) A poet could not but be gay
   In such a jocund company.

d) Thou was not born for death, immortal Bird!
   No hungry generations tread thee down:

B. *Answer any TWO of the following in not more than a page and a half each :*
        2 X 10 = 20

a) Bring out the central idea of the poem 'Christabel'.

b) How does Wordsworth capture the glory of the Westminster Bridge in his sonnet?

c) How does William Blake express his wonder and surprise at the creator's power in the poem 'Tiger'?

d) Write a critical appreciation of Robert Browning's poem 'Prospice'.

II.   *Answer any ONE of the following in about a page and a half :*   1 X 10 = 10

a) Make a comparative study of Nora Helmer and her friend Christian Linde.

b) Sketch the character of Nils Krogstad.

III.   *Answer any TWO of the following in about a page and a half each:*   2 X 10 = 20

a) How are the themes of love and revenge developed in the novel 'Wuthering Heights'?

b) Write briefly about (a) Edgar   (b) Isabella

c) Sketch the character of Catherine.