2022

ENGLISH — GENERAL

Paper: GE/CC-1

(Poetry and Short Story)

Full Marks: 65

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any five questions:

 1×5

- (a) What does the 'eye of heaven' refer to in the poem, 'Shall I Compare thee to a Summer's day'?
- (b) 'Until they think warm days will never cease'— Who thinks so in Keats' 'To Autumn'?
- (c) Whom does the poet greet by saying "Hail to thee : blithe spirit..." in Shelley's poem, 'To a Skylark'?
- (d) Which country did Mr. Woodifield's daughters travel to in Katherine Mansfield's short story, 'The Fly'?
- (e) Name the protagonist in Conrad's 'The Lagoon'.
- (f) Name the boy's friend in 'Araby'.
- (g) Name the poet of 'Strange Fits of Passion'.
- 2. Answer any two of the following questions:

15×2

- (a) Attempt a critical appreciation of Keats' poem 'To Autumn'.
- (b) How and why does the poet hope to immortalize his friend's beauty in 'Sonnet no. 18'?
- (c) Shelley's 'To a Skylark' is not just a simple poem in praise of a bird and its song. Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
- (d) Consider 'Strange Fits of Passion' as a romantic love poem.
- 3. Answer any two of the following questions:

15×2

- (a) Discuss the fly episode in Katherine Mansfield's short story, 'The Fly'.
- (b) Discuss Joseph Conrad's 'The Lagoon' as a tragedy.
- (c) Comment on the character of the boy in 'Araby'.