

TILAK MAHARASHTRA VIDYAPEETH, PUNE

B.A. – (VISHARAD) ENGLISH

EXAMINATION: DECEMBER - 2025

FIRST YEAR

SEMESTER - I

Sub: Literature and Society (79225-104)

Date: 12/12/2025

Total marks: 100

Time: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Instructions:

- 1) All questions are compulsory unless and otherwise stated.
- 2) Bold figures to the right of every question are the maximum marks for that question.
- 3) Candidates are advised to attempt questions in order.
- 4) Answers written illegibly are likely to be marked zero.
- 5) Write the exact question number in the answer sheet.
- 6) It is mandatory to write an Introduction and Conclusion in your answers.

Q.1. Answer the following (Any Three)

(60)

1. Discuss the Progressive Writers' Movement as a landmark in socially conscious Indian literature.
2. Analyze how different genres (novel, poetry, drama) reflect and shape social reality.
3. Examine how feminist writers have challenged patriarchal structures in literature.
4. Discuss the relationship between literature and culture, with examples from Indian and English literatures.
5. Write an essay on literature and the environment, discussing both Romantic and contemporary perspectives.

Q.2. Answer the following (Any Two)

(20)

1. What are the challenges of literature in the digital era?
2. Explain how poetry can express protest and conscience.
3. Explain how Bhakti poetry challenged caste hierarchy.
4. What is meant by the term "hegemony" in Marxist theory?

Q.3. Write short notes (Any Four)

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1. A theme common to classical and contemporary literature
2. Importance of Literature
3. Raja Ram Mohan Roy's role in social reform
4. Work of two reformist in the 19th Century in India
5. Influence of society on literature
6. Folklore and its importance