BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME (BDP)

Term-End Examination December, 2024

(Elective Course : English)
BEGE-108 : READING THE NOVEL

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Question No. 1 is compulsory. Answer five questions in all. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Write short notes on any two of the following:

 $2 \times 10 = 20$

- (a) Story and theme in a novel
- (b) Types of characters in a novel
- (c) Narrative techniques
- (d) Time and place in a novel
- "'A Tale of Two Cities' is more humanistic than historical." Comment.

- 3. Write briefly on the theme and ending of 'Things Fall Apart'.
- 4. "'The Awakening' has been described by some as 'shocking', while others find it realistic."

 What is your opinion? Give reasons. 20
- "'Sunlight on a Broken Column' underlines and overturns the oppressed position of women in the twentieth century." Discuss.
- 6. Are there any specific incidents and events which make 'Paraja' a novel about tribal life?

 Illustrate.
- 7. Discuss the historico-literary importance of feminist criticism with relevant examples. 20
- 8. Describe the reasons that have possibly led to the rise of post-colonial perspective on literature. Does that add to one's pleasure of reading a novel? Discuss.