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MSLE-008

MASTER IN SPANISH

(MASL)

Term-End Examination

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**MSLE-008 : LITERARY THEORY AND
COMPARATIVE LITERATURE**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *Attempt all questions.*

1. Write a small text of about **100-150** words on any *two* of the following topics : $2 \times 10 = 20$
 - (a) What is the importance of Cultural Studies in contemporary literary theory ?
 - (b) Discuss the relevance of “Literature and Ideology” in the context of Marxist literary theory.
 - (c) Summarize the key points of Eco-criticism as a literary theory.

2. Write a small text of about **150-200** words on any *two* of the following topics : $2 \times 20 = 40$
- (a) “Structuralist criticism is a linguistic reading of literature.” Comment.
 - (b) Do you agree that gender is the product of cultural conditioning ? Discuss with reference to texts from Hispanic literature.
 - (c) Explain the significance of Post-colonial Theory in understanding the cultural dynamics in post-independence Latin America.
3. Write a small text of about **300-400** words on any *one* of the following topics : $1 \times 40 = 40$
- (a) Explain the main features of deconstructionist literary criticism and use them to analyse any text from Hispanic literature.

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- (b) Discuss the application of Psychoanalysis in the interpretation of literary texts, with examples from Spanish *or* Latin American literature.
- (c) To what extent can concepts from Indian Aesthetic theory be applied to a critical reading of texts from Hispanic literature ? Support your argument with suitable examples.

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