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III Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – OBE – Regular/Supplementary/
Improvement) Examination, November 2024
(2019 to 2023 Admissions)
CORE COURSE IN ENGLISH

3B03ENG : Old English to Medieval English Literatures (500 – 1500)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

- I. Write an essay on **any one** of the following in **250** words. (1×8=8)
- 1) Discuss the Anglo-Saxon phase in English history.
 - 2) Analyse the changing dimension of wealth with reference to Old English and Middle English writings.
- II. Write an essay on **any one** of the following in **250** words. (1×8=8)
- 3) Discuss *The Battle of Maldon* as a heroic poem.
 - 4) Demonstrate how *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* expresses the chivalric consciousness of its time.
- III. Answer **any four** of the following questions in **not more than 100** words. (4×4=16)
- 5) Harlotrie.
 - 6) William of Normandy.
 - 7) Peasant Revolts of 14th Century England.
 - 8) The relationship between the alliterative poem "Pearl" and the Statute of Labourers.
 - 9) John Wycliffe.
 - 10) The gender politics of Chaucer's age with reference to the Wife of Bath.
- IV. Answer **any eight** of the following in **not more than 2** sentences. (8×1=8)
- 11) In which year did the Hundred Years' war begin ?
 - 12) Which historian was the author of *Germania* ?
 - 13) What is a mystery play ?

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- 14) What does 'The Retraction' added at the end of Chaucer's *The Parson's Tale* reveal about medieval literature ?
- 15) Explain the connection between 'chattel' and 'cattle' regarding their Old English origin.
- 16) Comment on the legal term 'Usufruct' in Anglo-Saxon wills.
- 17) What is the significance of Beowulf's last wish that Wiglaf bring him the dragon's gold in terms of heroism ?
- 18) How did Christine de Pisan respond to the slander done to women by these misogynist writings like *Roman de la rose* ?
- 19) What is the theme of the poem *Floure and the Leaf* ?
- 20) Name the seven deadly sins.

