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# STUDY OF A GENRE: FICTION (PART-II) Paper-EN-525/Course-X Opt. (i)

Time: Three Hours] [Maximum Marks: 80

Note: Attempt five questions in all. Question No. 1 is compulsory. Select one question from each Unit. All questions carry equal marks.

# **Compulsory Question**

- Write short notes in 150 words on the following: 1.
  - (a) River as a symbol in Heart of Darkness.
  - (b) Character of Walter Morel in Sons and Lovers.
  - (c) Character of Achakka in *Kanthapura*.
  - (d) Symbolic significance of barracks in A House for Mr. Biswas.

## UNIT-I

- 2. Discuss Heart of Darkness as a novel about the education of a young man in search of the meaning of self and society in an ambiguous universe.
- Discuss Heart of Darkness as a tale of many voyages. **3.**

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### **UNIT-II**

- **4.** Bring out the theme of man-woman relationship in *Sons and Lovers*.
- **5.** Discuss the theme of Oedipus complex in Lawrence's *Sons* and *Lovers*.

### UNIT-III

- **6.** Explain how the village of *Kanthapura* is a microcosm of the entrenched hierarchy in Indian society.
- **7.** Examine critically Raja Rao's *Kanthapura* as a novel on Gandhian ideas.

#### **UNIT-IV**

- **8.** A House for Mr. Biswas features a protagonist who raises profound questions regarding one's place in the universe. Discuss.
- 9. Mr. Biswas's flaws do not demonize him; rather, they emphasize his Everyman qualities, and Naipaul succeeds in giving the futility of his circumstance an existential dimension. Discuss.