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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF MASTER OF ARTS LITERATURE

LITT 816: POSTCOLONIAL LITERATURE

STREAMS: MA (LITT)

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 08/04/2021

2.30 P.M. – 5.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ANY THREE questions

1. Edward Said categorises binaries distinguishing the West and other nations using the Occident/Orient. Critically assess the concept of the self and other in Postcolonial writing. [20 marks]
 2. Gayatri Spivak argues that in discussing marginalized societies in the postcolonial perspective the voice of the subaltern should not be forgotten. Validate Spivak's assertion using any texts studied in this unit. [20 marks]
 3. Discuss Homi Bhabha's concept of hybridity and the merging of different cultures in the postcolonial societies. [20 marks]
 4. Critically assess Achebe's Things Fall Apart or any other text studied in this unit as a postcolonial text. [20 marks]
 5. Examine Joseph Conrad's Heart of Darkness and critically assess the western perception of the other. [20 marks]
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