NATIONAL TESTING AGENCY (NTA) — CUET (PG)

SYLLABUS FOR ENGLISH

TEST PAPER CODE: LAQP01

IMPORTANT NTA EXAMINATION PATTERN & GUIDELINES:

- There will be ONE Question Paper comprising strictly 75 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs).
- 100% Domain-Specific: Part A (General section) has been removed; questions test graduation-level core domain.
- Marking Scheme: +4 marks for correct answer, -1 mark for incorrect response, 0 for unattempted questions.
- Exam Duration: 90 Minutes (1.5 Hours) in Computer-Based Test (CBT) format.

OFFICIAL SUBJECT-SPECIFIC DOMAIN SYLLABUS

Unit 1: History of English and Indian Literatures

Major Literary Periods: Old & Middle English, Renaissance, Restoration, 18th Century, Romanticism, Victorian, Modern, and Post-Modern Eras; Landmark Authors, Masterpieces, and Influences.

Unit 2: Indian Writing in English

Major Indian Authors, Poets, and Dramatists; Themes of Nation, Identity, and Indian Diaspora; Important Translations from Indian Languages into English.

Unit 3: Literary Terms, Devices, and Figures of Speech

Allegory, Ballad, Blank Verse, Comedy, Dramatic Monologue, Elegy, Epic, Irony, Metaphor, Motif, Paradox, Satire, Soliloquy, Sonnet, Tragedy, and Rhetorical Devices.

Unit 4: Literary Genres

Poetry, Prose, Drama, Fiction, Life Writings (Autobiography, Biography, Memoirs), Short Stories, Essays, and Travel Literature.

Unit 5: Comparative Literature & Translation Studies

Core Concepts, Theoretical Frameworks, Intertextuality, Cultural Translation, and Foundational Texts.

Unit 6: Literary Criticism and Critical Theory

Classical Criticism (Plato, Aristotle, Longinus); Modern Theory: Marxism, Structuralism, Post-Structuralism, Feminism, Post-Colonialism, Psychoanalytic Criticism, Eco-criticism.

Unit 7: Contemporary Literary Trends & Reading Comprehension

Current Global Literary Trends, Major Literary Awards (Nobel, Booker, Sahitya Akademi); Unseen Passages and Textual Analysis.