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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For the following qualifications:-

M.A.

M.A. German Studies: Goethe I

COURSE CODE : GERMPG14

DATE : 10-MAY-02

TIME : 14.30

TIME ALLOWED : 2 hours

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GOETHE I

Time allowed: TWO hours.

Answer ONE question only.

Do not draw substantially on the material which you used in your assessed essay.

Credit will be given for breadth of reference.

- 1. 'Goethe war ein Dichter des Lebens in seiner Ganzheit.' How far does such a statement seem to you helpful in interpreting his literary work?
- 2. Comment on the view that Goethe's avoidance of tragedy accounts for both the vitality and the limitation of his literary work.
- 3. 'The range, in formal, structural, and linguistic terms, of what Goethe wrote is impressive; but what is even more impressive is the fact that the form in question invariably seems appropriate to the experiences being explored.' Discuss.
- 4. 'Even at his most profound Goethe always remains close to immediate concerns and colloquial speech.' Discuss.
- 5. To what extent would you be inclined to move 'mit Goethe durch das Jahr'?