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MA 1st Semester (NEP) Exam. 2023 (W)

ENGLISH (DSC)

(English Drama , Elizabethan to Restoration)

[EG S1-03]

Full Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

1. Answer any *five* from the following questions (each in around 400 words): $10 \times 5 = 50$

   (*a*) "Conditions of staging, acting and production underwent tremendous changes during the Renaissance period". Explain in details.

   (*b*) Describe the life and literary contributions of the Renaissance play wright Christopher Marlowe. $5 + 5 = 10$

   (*c*) Discuss the Prologue and the opening Act of the play *The Jew of Malta* from your own reading. Why is that significant ? $5 + 5 = 10$

   (*d*) Write a detailed note on Jonsonian Comedy.

   (*e*) "Act 1 of the play *Volpone* revolves round the central character Volpone who is a rich venetian nobleman, childless and without an heir". Explain in your own words.

   (*f*) Discuss the life and literary contributions of William Shakespeare. $5 + 5 = 10$

   (*g*) "William Shakespeare's *King Lear* takes recourse to a number of sources". Explain in details.

   (*h*) Describe the character of 'Lear' as a significant one presented by Shakespeare and the character of 'Cordelia'. Discuss the significance of any two important characters as presented by Shakespeare in the play "King Lear". $5 + 5 = 10$

(Turn Over)

2. Answer any *four* from the following questions (each in around 200 words): $5 \times 4 = 20$

(*a*) Discuss the emergent themes in Shakespeares play *Twelfth Night or What You Will.*

(*b*) Why are sources important in Shakespeare's plays ? State the sources of the play *The Tempest.* $2 + 3 = 5$

(*c*) Explain the following major theme as evident in *The Tempest*: The Theme of freedom.

(*d*) What were the major sources Webster made use of in *The White Devil* ?

(*e*) Describe briefly the characters of Vittoria and Flamineo from your reading of *The White Devil.* $3 + 2 = 5$

(*f*) Discuss the life and contributions of William Congreve. $3 + 2 = 5$