B.A. ENGLISH (HONOURS) (BAEGH) Term-End Examination June, 2022

BEGC-102 : CLASSICAL EUROPEAN LITERATURE

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note: This paper has three sections – A, B and C. Answer questions from all three sections. Attempt any four questions from Section A, two questions from Section B and three questions from Section C.

SECTION A

- I. Write short notes on/explain with reference to the context any four of the following in about 200 words each : 4×5=20
- 1. Achilles
- 2. Peripeteia
- **3.** Unity of Time
- 4. Destiny
- 5. You are the one hit hardest by the fighting, Hector, you more than all — and all for me, whore that I am, and this blind mad Paris.

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- 6. And of the children, inmates of his home, He shall be proved the brother and the sire, Of her who bare him son and husband both, Co-partner, and assassin of his sire, Go in and ponder this, and if thou find That I have missed the mark, henceforth declare I have no wit nor skill in prophecy.
- 7. I'm rich not all the fabled birds from realms of gold Can match my wealth and never mind these paltry little kings I am now that fabled Philip, king of Gold. Oh what a day !
- 8. If you love me at all Please send me to visit my sister, or ask her to visit us here.
 You can promise my father it won't be long before she returns.

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SECTION B

- II. Answer any two of the following questions in about 400 words each : 2×10=20
- **9.** Who is the hero of the *Iliad* ? Discuss.
- "Oedipus Rex is the story of a nobleman who seeks the truth that ultimately destroys him." Comment.
- 11. Write a brief note on the closing of theatres and the end of classical drama.
- **12.** Comment on the ending of the *Pot of Gold*.
- 13. Discuss the style of the Horatian Satire.
- 14. Attempt a characterisation of Jones' behaviour towards Semele before and after the latter's destruction.

SECTION C

- III. Answer any three of the following questions in about 800 words each : 3×20=60
- **15.** Does the Homeric concept of war differ from our present day attitude towards war ?
- **16.** Would you agree that both Hector and Achilles have claims for being the protagonist of the epic ? Give a reasoned answer.
- 17. Discuss the role of the chorus in *Oedipus Rex*.
- Illustrate the role of the three unities in Oedipus Rex.
- **19.** Do you think Euclio is finally integrated into society ? Give reasons for your answer.
- **20.** What do you understand by New Comedy ? Analyse its connections with the emergence of drama in Rome.
- **21.** Do you find any traces of cultural influence from other countries on the literature of Rome ?
- **22.** Narcissus gave his name not only to a flower but also to a psychological problem. Discuss.

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