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MEG-02

MASTER OF ENGLISH (MEG)

Term-End Examination

December, 2022

MEG-02 : BRITISH DRAMA

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *Question No. 1 is compulsory. Attempt any
four questions from the remaining questions.*

All questions carry equal marks.

1. Critically comment on any *four* of the following passages with reference to the context in about **150** words each : 4×5=20

(a) Homo fuge ! Wither should I fly ?

If unto God, he'll throw me down to hell.

(b) I'll be burning candles from this out of the miracle of God that have brought you from the south to-day.

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- (c) O, my offence is rank, it smells to heaven
 If had the primal eldest curse upon't,
 A brother's murder !
- (d) It is not in time that my death shall be known.
 It is out of time that my decision is taken
 If you call that a decision
- (e) With a bare fricace of your medicine : still
 You increase your friends.

2. Discuss the presentation of Jacobean society in
 Ben Jonson's *The Alchemist*. 20

Or

Examine *Doctor Faustus* as a study of conflict
 with reference to Christian faith.

3. What is the significance of the fourth
 temptation in *Murder in the Cathedral*? 20

Or

Critically comment on the role of the
 Mechanicals in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

4. Discuss the revenge motif in *Hamlet*. Give examples to support your answer. 20

Or

“*The Playboy of the Western World* is a play about the distinctive desire to rebel against tradition.” Do you agree ? Give a reasoned answer.

5. Can digging effect bring about a transformation in Dootille similar to the one he has brought about in Eliza ? 20

Or

Discuss Beckett’s presentation of the absurd predicament in human life in the play *Waiting for Godot*.

6. Comment critically on the title of the play *Look Back in Anger*. 20

Or

Write a note on the element of modernity in Elizabethan tragedy.

7. Write short notes on any *two* of the following in about **200** words each : 2×10=20

- (a) Conventions of Romantic Comedy
- (b) Myth in modernist drama
- (c) Lucky's speech in *Waiting for Godot*
- (d) Horatio