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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2023 First Degree Programme Under CBCSS English Language and Literature

Core Course – XIV

EN 1644: WORLD CLASSICS

(2020 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours • Max. Marks: 80

- I. Answer all questions each in a word or in a sentence:
- 1. Name three famous classical Roman poets.
- 2. When was Herman Hesse's Siddhartha published?
- 3. Name a novel by Nikos Kazantzakis.
- 4. How many books are there in Ovid's Metamorphoses?
- 5. What is the subtitle of Mary Shelley's Frankenstein?
- 6. Whom does Virginia Woolf refer to as the first professional woman writer in English literature?
- 7. Who is the Roman poet whom Eliot uses as a model in his "What is Classic"?

- 8. Which novel of Leo Tolstoy opens with the sentence "Happy families are all alike, every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way"?
- 9. Who wrote the play Nagunander in Sanskrit Language?
- 10. Who is known as the Father of Comedy?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

- II. Answer any eight, each in a paragraph not exceeding 50 words:
- 11. The founding of Thebes.
- 12. The meeting of Dushyanta and Shakuntala.
- 13. What are the characteristics of a classic?
- 14. The mythical town of Macondo.
- 15. Dante's Divine Comedy.
- 16. Hubris.
- 17. Gothic elements in Frankenstein.
- 18. Maxim Gorky.
- 19. Kalidasa.
- Role of Chorus in Greek drama.
- 21. Goethe.
- 22. What are literary classics?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

- III. Answer any six each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.
- 23. Eliot's views on the literature of the Elizabethan period.
- 24. Tiresias in Ovid's Metamorphoses.
- 25. Dante and the Italian Renaissance.
- 26. The metaphor of the Crystal Palace in Notes from the Underground.
- 27. Classical Greek literature.
- 28. Valmiki, Vyasa and Indian classic literature.
- 29. Tolstoy and Realist fiction.
- 30. The significance of the ring in Abhijnana Shakuntalam.
- 31. Write a brief note on Russian classics.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

- IV. Answer any two, each in about 300 words:
- 32. Attempt a critical appreciation of kalidasa's Abhijnana Sakuntalam.
- 33. Examine the magical realist techniques used by Marquez in *One Hundred Years* of Solitude.
- 34. Dostoevsky employs two different narrative strategies in the two section of *Note from Underground* to expresses psychological realism- Comment.
- 35. "Our classic, the classic of all Europe is Virgil'- Discuss with reference to T.S. Eliot's "What is a Classic?"

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$