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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ENGLISH LITERATURE**

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2017

17/16PEL1MC01 - BRITISH DRAMA

Date: 02-11-2017 Time: 01:00-04:00 Dept. No.

Max.: 100 Marks

SECTION-A PART - A

I Answer any TWO of the following in about 200 words each.

- 1) Comment on the structural flaws seen in Marlowe's Doctor Faustus.
- 2) Consider the play *Murder in the Cathedral* as a poetic drama.
- 3) Discuss the themes of religion and nationalism as seen in *Saint Joan*.
- 4) Comment on the characterization in the play *Everyman in his Humour*.

PART - B

II Answer the following in about 400 words each.

5) a) Do you think there is 'divine justice' in the tragedy of Doctor Faustus? Justify your answer. (OR)

b) Consider the play Murder in the Cathedral as a religious drama.

6) a) "Doctor Faustus depicts a clash between the values of the medieval world and the emerging spirit of the sixteenth-century Renaissance". Discuss.

(OR)

b) How does the play *Murder in the Cathedral* express and explore the conflict between "action" and "suffering."?Discuss.

SECTION - B

PART - A

I Answer any TWO of the following in about 200 words each.

- 1) Analyse the concept of liberation and freedom in *Rock n Roll* by Tom Stoppard.
- 2) Evaluate *Rock n Roll* as a play of Relationships.
- 3) Examine the obscurities of characterization in Pinter's *The Birthday Party*.
- 4) How do other characters treat Stanley in Pinter's play The Birthday Party?

<u>PART - B</u>

II Answer the following in about 400 words each.

5) a) Bring out the paradoxical coexistence of music and sickness throughout the play *Amadeus*. (OR)

b) How does Shaffer's play Amadeus remain the drama of mediocrity and revenge?

(2x10=20)

(2x15=30)

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6) a) Review The Importance of Being Earnest as a play that is full of hypocrisies. (OR)

b) How are the characters in Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* portrayed to intensify the intended themes of the play?