

SIXTH SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2020

(CUCBCSS—UG)

English

ENG 6B 5(E1)/DM ENG 6B 3(E1)—WORLD CLASSICS IN TRANSLATION

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :

- 1 Who accompanies Dante on his journey to Heaven ?
 - (a) Venus.
 - (b) Cleopatra.
 - (c) Beatrice.
 - (d) Helen.
- 2 Johann Wolfgang von Goethe is a ———— writer.
 - (a) British.
 - (b) German.
 - (c) Russian.
 - (d) Italian.
- 3 What kind of love Pushkin has towards his beloved ?
 - (a) Sincere.
 - (b) Playful.
 - (c) Utilitarian.
 - (d) Hypocritical.
- 4 The author of Aeneid :
 - (a) Homer.
 - (b) Aristotle.
 - (c) Virgil.
 - (d) Dante.
- 5 Who is the father of Oedipus ?
 - (a) Creon.
 - (b) Laius.
 - (c) Merope.
 - (d) Zeus.
- 6 Who taught Karna the lessons to use weapons ?
 - (a) Parasurama.
 - (b) Bheeshma.
 - (c) Indra.
 - (d) Thrivikrama.
- 7 Which schoolmate did the underground decide to visit ?
 - (a) Zverkov.
 - (b) Simonov.
 - (c) Liza.
 - (d) None of these.

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- 8 To whom does Kamala send Siddhartha to learn the trade from ?
 (a) Samana. (b) Kamaswami.
 (c) Govinda. (d) None of these.
- 9 Whose was the second voice from behind the gates of heaven ?
 (a) St. Peter. (b) King David.
 (c) St. John. (d) Accuser.
- 10 The etymological meaning of the word 'poetry' is _____.
 (a) To make. (b) To create.
 (c) Both (a) and (b). (d) None of these.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* questions in two or three sentences each :

- 11 What encouragement does Cacciaguida give Dante ?
 12 What is the theme of the poem "The Reunion" ?
 13 Why Pushkin feels "hopeless and tongue tied" ?
 14 What was the cause of the plague in Thebes ?
 15 What is the significance of the title "*Karnabhararn*" ?
 16 What is typical about the character of the Underground man ?
 17 Why was Siddhartha dissatisfied with Buddhism ?
 18 What does Siddhartha realize from the death of the song bird ?
 19 What is the sin committed by David the king ?
 20 Who finally allows the sinner to enter Heaven ?
 21 What according to the underground man is the major constrain that obstructs the man's free will ?
 22 What according to Pushkin is the greatest expression of love ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :

- 23 Comment on the theme of spirituality in Dante's "Divine Comedy".
 24 The ironic portrayal of sight and blindness in the play *Oedipus Rex*.
 25 Explain the critical deviations employed in the play *Karnabharanam*.
 26 Comment on Siddhartha's relationship with Kamala.

27 Significance of the title 'The Repentant Sinner'.

28 Elucidate the existential angst faced by the Underground man.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

29 "... When He spake the sentence "Be!", and the all... burst into reality."

Elucidate focusing on Goethe's views about Almighty's craftsmanship in the creation and maintenance of the Universe.

30 Critically evaluate *Notes from Underground* as a typical modern anti- hero novella.

31 Oedipus is a "revelation of the evil lot of man". Substantiate.

32 "The limitless and self effacing generosity ultimately leads to his own doom". Substantiate the statement in the light of the play *Karnabharam*.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)