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TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2020 held in March, 2021

ENGLISH

(5th Semester)

Course No. : ENGHCC-502T

(Modern European Drama)

Full Marks: 70
Pass Marks: 28

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A TO SECTION—A TO THE TENTON

- 1. Answer any ten of the following questions: 2×10=20
 - (a) When was Henrik Ibsen's Ghosts written and in which language?
 - (b) What is the play, Ghosts about?
 - (c) Who is Oswald? What is he by profession?

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- 3. Wherefrom did Ghisu and Madhav borrow money for Budhiya's funeral?
- 4. Who is the Sahib in the short story,
 The Shroud?
- 5. What is the Urdu word for 'quilt'?
- 6. Why did Anima leave her daughter in Begum Jaan's house?
- 7. What was the Nawab interested in?
- 8. What did Begum Jaan wear all through the year?
- **9.** From which book is the poem, *Light, Oh Where is the Light?* by Rabindranath Tagore taken?
- 10. What is 'this deep night' compared to in the poem, Light, Oh Where is the Light?
- 11. Whom does the poet praise in the poem, When My Play was with Thee?
- 12. How did the muse and deity appear to the poet in his childhood in the poem, When My Play was with Thee?
- 13. How is 'death' personified in the poem, The Void by G. M. Muktibodh?

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- 14. What do the words 'saws', 'daggers' and 'sickles' symbolise in the poem, The Void?
- 15. What is the poem, So Very Far by G. M. Muktibodh about?
- 16. Who, according to the poet Muktibodh, can 'Sweep the whole world clean'?
- 17. Who was Waris Shah in the poem, I Say unto Waris Shah by Amrita Pritam?
- 18. What is the 'Book of Love' referred to in the poem, I Say unto Waris Shah?
- 19. Why has the 'Chenab' turned crimson?
- 20. What do 'Dali' and 'Hussain' stand for in the poem, Dali, Hussain, or Odour of Dream, Colour of Wind by Thangjam Ibopishak Singh?
- 21. What does the cashier do after counting the old one-rupee notes in the poem, Dali, Hussain, or Odour of Dream, Colour of Wind?
- 22. In the poem, The Land of the Half-Humans by Thangjam Ibopishak Singh how do the women give birth?
- 23. Why is the land of the half-humans very much in the news?

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- 24. Who is Kuber' in the poem, The Land of the Half-Humans?
- 25. When does the time of action in the play, Andha Yug by Dharamvir Bharati begin?
- 26. What was the capital city of the Kaurava kingdom called?
- 27. Who were the surviving warriors of the Kaurava kingdom after the eighteenth day of the Kurukshetra War?
- 28. Who killed Guru Dronacharya?
- 29. Who from the Kauravas performed the rites of Gandhari's dead sons?
- 30. "I was not born a beast. Yudhisthira made me one."
 Who said this?
- 31. What does Yuyutsu's suicide symbolise?
- 32. How did Dhritarashtra and Gandhari die?
- 33. Name the Telugu novel from which Untouchable Spring is translated.
- 34. What is Ruth?
- 35. Who was Reuben?

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- 36. How many generations of a Dalit family does
 G. Kalyan Rao's novel deal with?
- 37. What kind of life the Dalits lived?
- 38. Who narrated about the untouchable spring?
- 39. Who alone has the power to move the dead Kamadhenu?
- 40. In Kaliyuga, who became 'madigas' and 'malas'?

SECTION_B

Answer any five of the following questions:

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- 41. How did the villagers behave before and after the death of Budhiya?
- 42. Why was the Begum Jaan married off to the Nawab?
- 43. What is the prayer of the poet in the poem, Light, Oh Where is the Light?
- 44. What is the image that the poet presents in the final stanza of the poem, So Very Far?
- 45. What has the poisonous wind done to the forest in the poem, I Say unto Waris Shah?

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- 46. What are the two different questions that the poetic persona refers to in the first stanza of the poem, Dali, Hussain, or Odour of Dream, Colour of Wind?
- **47.** What is the central issue highlighted in the play, *Andha Yug*?
- 48. What was the curse of vyasa on Sanjaya?
- **49.** What genre does G. Kalyan Rao's Untouchable Spring belong to?
- 50. Why are Siva and Parvati furious with Jamba-vanta?

SECTION-C

Answer any five of the following questions:

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- **51.** Examine the theme/themes of Munshi Premchand's *The Shroud*.
- 52. Justify the title of Ismat Chughtai's short story, The Quilt.
- 53. Examine the poem, When My Play was with Thee as 'the glorification of childhood and innocence'.

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- 54. Attempt a critical appreciation of *The Void* by G. M. Muktibodh.
- 55. Briefly discuss Amrita Pritam's views on Partition with reference to the poem, I Say unto Waris Shah.
- 56. Consider The Land of the Half-Humans as an allegorical prose poem.
- **57.** Critically analyse the anti-war issues raised in the play, *Andha Yug* by Dharamvir Bharati.
- 58. Discuss the relevance of Dharamvir Bharati's Andha Yug in our times.
- 59. "Untouchable Spring is a saga of endless struggle of untouchables for self-respect, equality and empowerment." Discuss.
- 60. Present in your own words the portrayal of Dalit women in the novel, Untouchable Spring.

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