UG 1st Semester Examination 2021 ENGLISH (Honours)

Paper: DC-1 (CBCS)

Full Marks: 32 Times: 2 Hours

1. Answer any four of the following questions in about 200 words each: 6×4=24

a) Critically examine the theme of immortality in Sonnet LXXV from Edmund Spenser's *Amoretti* (beginning with: "One day I wrote her name...").

OR,

- b) Assess John Donne as a representative poet of the Metaphysical School, with special reference to his poems on your syllabus.
- c) Discuss Marlowe's *The Jew of Malta* as a play of revenge.

OR,

- d) Examine critically Marlowe's portrayal of Barabas in The Jew of Malta.
- e) Discuss Shakespeare's use of irony in *Macbeth*, with suitable illustrations from the text.

OR,

- f) Would you consider Lady Macbeth the fourth witch? Argue your answer with reference to Shakespeare's play *Macbeth*.
- g) Critically comment on the various forms of love as exhibited in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*. Discuss with suitable illustrations from the text.

OR,

h) Discuss how gender roles and gender reversals affect the major characters in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*.

- 2. Answer any four of the following questions in about 60 words each:
- $2 \times 4 = 8$
- a) What did the Wife of Bath comment on the Scriptures and God to justify her position?

OR,

- b) "The gentle deer return'd the self-same way,/Thinking to quench her thirst at the next brook." Locate and explain.
- c) Who is Martin Del Bosco? Why does he convince Ferneze to break his alliance with the Turks?

OR,

- d) Who is Bellamira? What was her plan when she found herself financially unsteady?
- e) What was Duncan's immediate reaction while visiting Macbeth's castle?

Or,

- f) Who is called "Valour's minion" and "Bellona's bridegroom," and why?
- g) "Whoe'er I woo, myself would be his wife"- Locate and explain.

OR,

h) What is the dramatic significance of Sebastian's delayed entry in Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*?