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ENGLISH

DSC - 1B : Appreciating Drama

(Old English Special Paper - I)

(CBCS) (2019 Pattern) (Semester - IV) (24331)

Texts : Arms and the man - G.B. Shaw

The Fire and The Rain - Girish Karnad

Time : 2½ Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions to the candidates:

- 1) *All questions are compulsory.*
- 2) *Figures to the right indicate full marks.*

Q1) Answer any three of the following questions. [15]

- a) Why does Yavakri want a boon?
- b) Describe the mythological base of the drama 'The Fire and the Rain'.
- c) Draw character sketch of Raibhya in 'The Fire and the Rain'.
- d) Why does the king start fire sacrifice in the Kingdom? Who leads the sacrifice?
- e) Why does Nittilai's father decide her marriage with a tribal youth?

Q2) Answer any three of the following questions. [15]

- a) Write a note on the character of Vishaka.
- b) Discuss the significance of the title 'The Fire and the Rain'.
- c) What does Aravasu expect from Nittilai?
- d) What was the Actor Manager's plea to the chief priest of the fire sacrifice?
- e) Discuss in brief the theme of love and marriage in the play 'The Fire and the Rain'.

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Q3) Answer any one question out of the following. [10]

- a) How does G.B. Shaw treat themes of war and marriage humorously in the play 'Arms and the Man'.
- b) Comment on the character of Sergius in 'Arms and the Man'.

Q4) Answer any one question out of the following. [10]

- a) Comment on the plot construction of 'Arms and the Man'.
- b) Comment on the character of Raina Petkoff in the play 'Arms and the Man'.

Q5) Answer any four of the following questions. [20]

- a) Why is Vishaka unwilling to live with Parvasu?
- b) Why does Raibhya want to kill Yavakri?
- c) Why does the king select Parvasu as the chief priest?
- d) What was Yavakri's plan of revenge against the family of Raibhya?
- e) What effect fire sacrifice has on Arvasu?
- f) Who kills Nittilai? Why.

