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SIXTH SEMESTER U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2023

(CBCSS-UG)

English

ENG 6B 12—CLASSIC OF WORLD LITERATURE

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

- I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each (2 marks each with ceiling 25):
 - 1 What is the main cause of the Trojan War ?
 - 2 What happens to Hector at the end of war?
 - 3 What, in your opinion is the central theme of the Mahabharata
 - 4 Who guides Dante in his journey ?
 - 5 How does the violet view itself?
 - 6 How is the flower pictured in the first stanza of Pushkin's poem?
 - 7 Why does Omar Khayyam consider that intellectual capability as limited in terms of human life ?
 - 8 What is the shameless truth' proposed by Rumi?
 - 9 How does Basho picture the flower?
 - 10 Why did Teiresias refuse to tell the truth ?
 - 11 What is the name of the battleground in *The Broken Thighs (Orubangam)*?
 - 12 How did Valjean repay the kindness of the Bishop the very next morning ?
 - 13 How does Mother Sauvage come to know about her son's death ?
 - 14 What was the hermit doing when the King arrived ?
 - 15 Where did the fairy and Zhu hide ?

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- II. Answer the following questions in *a paragraph* (5 marks each with ceiling 35):
 - 16 Mention the main themes of Homer's epics.
 - 17 What are the two doubts that trouble Dante ?
 - 18 How does the title "Adam" match with the poet's intentions?
 - 19 Write a note on the major theme of the poem "The Rubaiyat."
 - 20 Write a critical note on the Delphic Oracle.
 - 21 Significance of the title Mother Sauvage.
 - 22 What is the version of the murdered man in *In a Bamboo Grove*, about his death, as told through the medium ?
 - 23 Attempt a character sketch of Sohrab.
- III. Answer any two of the following in an essay :
 - 24 State the salient features of the Greek Theatre.
 - 25 How does Rilke express his unwavering faith in mankind ?
 - 26 "Love conquers all" as the central theme of *Les Miserables*.
 - 27 The short story *Three Questions* proves that Leo Tolstoy is first and foremost a moral philosopher in quest for the meaning of life. Comment.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$