



M.A. III Semester Degree Examination, April/May - 2024

ENGLISH

DSC - 1 : Shakespeare

(NEP)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Answer **any five** of the following questions with **Question No.1 Compulsory**. Each question carries **equal** marks.

I. Answer the following question.

1. Write an essay on the socio-economic and political context of the Elizabethan period.

II. Answer **any 4** of the following questions.

2. Critically examine various sources that have assisted Shakespeare in penning down his plays.
3. Illustrate the cunningness and conspiracies of Iago.
4. Explain the symbolism of the handkerchief in Othello.
5. Evaluate the religious sentiments and the role of mercy in The Merchant of Venice.
6. (a) Write a critical essay on the literary and biblical sources of Shakespearean plays.

OR

- (b) Examine the elements of love and beauty in the sonnets prescribed.
7. (a) Discuss how power politics becomes the major theme in Othello.
OR
(b) Is Shylock a villain or victim ? Discuss.

8. (a) The young man in the sonnet 18
(b) The Ideal love in the sonnet 116
(c) Desdemona

OR

- (d) Antonio

