B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2025 SEMESTER 6 : ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE MODEL I

COURSE: 19U6CRENL15A: COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

(For Regular 2022 Admission and Supplementary 2021/2020 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

PART A Answer All (1 mark each)

- 1. What is the speciality of Lord Indra in Hindu mythology?
- 2. What blessing does Karna seek from Kunti?
- 3. Why can't a person use guns for suicide according to Parker?
- 4. What is Karna's prediction regarding the outcome of the Kurukshetra war?
- 5. Why did Prince Hamlet suspect his uncle of killing his father?
- 6. How does Francois Jost define comparative literature?
- 7. What is the significance of the name Henry Baker in Doyle's story?
- 8. Who is the speaker in the story "Sherlock Holmes?"
- 9. What is Susan Bassnett's role in the domain of comparative literature?
- 10. What did Goethe mean when he said "poetry is the common property of all mankind?"

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

PART B Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. What is the relevance of the wingbeats in the play?
- 12. The ghost is depicted as an unreliable narrator in "King Claudius." Analyse the statement.
- 13. Write a short note on the importance of Genology.
- 14. Discuss the theme of loneliness in "Thought-Fox".
- 15. How is comparative literature relevant in dismantling Eurocentrism?
- 16. Write a note on the structure of the poem "Resume."
- 17. What are the accusations made by Karna against Kunti?
- 18. How did Holmes solve the case of the stolen jewel?
- 19. Analyse the character of Sherlock Holmes.
- 20. Describe the 'horrendous crime' committed by Kunti?

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

PART C Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Critically examine the French school of Comparative Literature.
- 22. Comment on the imagery of death used in the poem "Resume."
- 23. Critically examine the importance of curtains in the play by Sankara Pillai.
- 24. Analyse Karna's glorification in Tagore's poem.
- 25. Examine the importance of Sherlock Holmes in popular culture.
- 26. Write a note on the animal imagery of Ted Hughes.
- 27. Discuss Benedetto Croce's argument regarding comparative literature.

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

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PART D Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. Retelling of epics gives voice to the marginalised. Examine the statement with reference to "Dialogue between Karna and Kunti" and "Wings Flapping, Somewhere."
- 29. Critically analyse the images used in the poem "Tulips."
- 30. Evaluate the story "Sherlock Holmes" as a parody.
- 31. Evaluate the contributions of the three major schools of Comparative Literature.

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$

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