2022

(CBCS)

(1st Semester)

ENGLISH

(Honours)

Paper Code: ENGHC-1

(Indian Classical Literature)

Full Marks: 75
Pass Marks: 40%

Time: 3 hours

The questions are of equal value

1. (a) Write a note on the Indian epic tradition, its themes and recensions.

Or

- (b) Write a note on the 'Alankara' and 'Rasa' theory.
- (a) In Abhijnanashakuntalam, the character of Dushanta subjects to the ideal of the hero and the ideal of kingship. Discuss.

Or

(b) Discuss the significance of Durvasa's curse and the ring episode in Abhijnanashakuntalam.

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3. (a) Analyse the conduct of the Kauravas and the Pandavas in *The Dicing* and *The Sequel* to the Dicing.

Or

- (b) The idea of Dharma is central to the Mahabharata. Discuss with reference to the sections prescribed.
- 4. (a) Examine the play Mrichchhakatika as a 'Prakarana'.

Or

- (b) Discuss how Vasantasena's ornaments play a dramatic role in the plot and action of the play *Mrichchhakatika*.
- **5.** (a) Critically analyse the portrayal of Kannaki in *The Book of Banci*.

Or

(b) Discuss the features of 'Akam' and 'Puram' poetry with reference to *The Book of Banci*.

