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M.A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021

Fourth Semester

Faculty of Language and Literature

Branch I: English

LEN04PE02—SHAKESPEARE ACROSS CULTURES

(2012—2018 Admissions—Supplementary/Mercy Chance)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

- I. Answer any *five* of the following, each in a paragraph of about 50 words (weight 1 each):
 - 1 How does uMabatha overthrow Dangane?
 - 2 The role of Horatio in 'Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead'.
 - 3 Disguise in 'Shakespeare in Love'.
 - 4 The role of Taro in 'Ran'.
 - 5 Shabnam in 'The Last Lear'.
 - 6 The setting of Almereyda's 'Hamlet'.
 - 7 Write a short note on postmodern Satire Plays.
 - 8 Write a short note on PostColonial Shakespeare

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Part B

- II. Write short essays of about 100 words on any five of the following. Weight 2 each :
 - 9 Gender and Identity in Kurosawa's 'Ran'.
 - 10 Discuss the Zulu culture of early 19th century Africa in 'uMabatha'.
 - 11 Paraody in 'Good Night Desdemona (Good morning Juliet)'.
 - 12 Feminist perspectives in Toni Morrison's 'Desdemona'.

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- 13 Discuss the plot of 'Omkara'.
- 14 Why is Viola apalled? Discuss.
- 15 How does Shakespeare's 'Hamlet' differ from that of Michael Almereyda's 'Hamlet'?
- 16 Iago is a what-if play. Discuss.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

Part C

- III. Write essays of about 300 words on any three of the following. (weight 5 each):
 - 17 Write an essay on the postmodern techniques in 'Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead'.
 - 18 Discuss Constance's subconscious journey of self discovery in 'Good night Desdemona'.
 - 19 Shakespeare's universalism explores how aspects of human nature present in Shakespeare's plays continue to possess contemporary relevance. Discuss.
 - 20 Discuss splitting, doubling and Distancing of 'King Lear' in Kurosawa's 'Ran'.
 - 21 Write an essay on the African appropriation of 'Macbeth' in 'uMabatha'.
 - 22 Attempt an essay on Shakespearean plays and film adaptations based on the prescribed texts

 $(3 \times 5 = 15)$

