

Ex/CL/UG/GE/1.3B/2023

BACHELOR OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2023

(1st Year, 1st Semester)

GENERAL ELECTIVE COURSE : CL/GE/1.3B

(DRAMA)

Full Marks: 30

Time: Two Hours

Answer *three* questions *either* in English *or* in Bengali
All questions carry equal marks

1. Write short notes on any two:
 - (a) *Rasa*
 - (b) *Anagnorisis*
 - (c) The Oracle in *Oedipus Rex*
 - (d) Curse in *Abhijñānaśākuntalam*
- 2 (a) Attempt a reading of the play *Oedipus Rex* along the main tenets of tragedy as enunciated by Aristotle in his *Poetics*.

Or,

- 2 (b) Do you think that *Abhijñānaśākuntalam* complies with the description of a 'good' and 'successful' drama according to the *Nāṭyaśāstra*.
- 3 (a) Can you define heroism through human agency and action in *Rhinoceros*? How the character of Berenger can be studied to trace other versions of heroism offered by Ionesco as an Abdurdist playwright.

Or,

- 3 (b) Comment how Girish Karnad reorients the traditional theme of mind-body dichotomy to articulate individual confusion over identity in the post-independence era with close reference to *Hayavadana*.