

2024
SRCMUJ
2nd Semester Examination
M.A.
ENGLISH
ENG-202
DRAMA II-(19th and 20th Centuries)

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Comment on any two of the following 5×2

- a) The role of Miss Prism in Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*.
- b) The significance of the 'Interlude' in T.S. Eliot's *Murder in the Cathedral*.
- c) "Humankind cannot bear very much reality."
- d) The significance of Stanley's birthday gift.

2. Answer any three of the following 10×3

- a) Briefly discuss the emergence and development of Absurd Drama.
- b) Do you think that Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* satirizes the traditions and customs of Victorian society? Substantiate your view.
- c) Analyze the significance of the Chorus in T.S. Eliot's *Murder in the Cathedral*.
- d) Critically evaluate *Murder in the Cathedral* as a poetic drama.
- e) Consider *The Birthday Party* as a typical Pinteresque play.