M.A. 2nd Semester Examination, 2023 ENGLISH

PAPER – ENG-205(Old)

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

- A. Answer any two of the following:
- 8×2
- 1. Comment briefly on the nature of the audience that frequented the performances of Shakespeare's plays during his time.
- 2. Bring out the significance of the 'play within a play' in *Hamlet*.
- 3. Critically comment on *Measure for Measure* as a Christian allegory.

4. Write a note on Coleridge as a Shakespeare critic.

B. Comment on any four of the following: 4×4

- 5. The stage of the Globe Theatre.
- 6. Hamlet's 'antic disposition'.
- 7. The role of the gravediggers in Hamlet.
- 8. The character of Angelo.
- 9. "Some rise by sin, and some by virtue fall".
- Coleridge's idea of organic wholeness in Shakespeare's plays.
- C. Answer any four of the following: 4×2
- 11. Mention the names of any two continental adaptations of *Macbeth*.
- 12. Name three theatres operative during Shakespeare's lifetime.

- 13. Mention the source of Hamlet.
- 14. Why has Claudius been compared to a satyr?
- 15. What disguise does Duke Vincentio adopt and why?
- 16. Who is Mariana? Why does she agree with the Duke's plan?