



COOCH BEHAR PANCHANAN BARMA UNIVERSITY
B.A. Honours 4th Semester Examinations, 2023

ENGLISH

EUROPEAN CLASSICAL LITERATURE

CORE-8

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1. Answer any **one** question from the following: 15×1 = 15
- (a) Discuss the role of chance and coincidence in Sophocles' play *Oedipus the King*.
 - (b) Discuss Homer's *Iliad* as a classical epic with reference to Book 1 and 2.
 - (c) Discuss the significance of the title of Plautus' *Pot of Gold*.
 - (d) How significant is "Bacchus" (Book-III) in the overall development of Ovid's *Metamorphoses*?

OR

Discuss the stylistic devices employed by Horace in his "Satires" (1:4).

2. Answer any **one** question from the following: 10×1 = 10
- (a) Discuss the role of Achilles in Homer's *The Iliad* (Book 1 and 2).
 - (b) Critically analyse the role of Jocasta in *Oedipus the King*.
 - (c) How does Plautus blend humour and irony in his play *Pot of Gold*? Discuss.
3. Answer any **one** question from the following: 5×1 = 5
- (a) What role does Lar Familiaris play in *Pot of Gold*?
 - (b) What request did Oedipus make to Creon?
 - (c) Comment on the beginning of *The Iliad*.

4. Answer any *ten* questions from the following:

1×10 = 10

- (a) What disaster befalls the city of Athens?
- (b) What information is brought by Creon?
- (c) How was Laius killed?
- (d) Who discovers Euclio's pot of gold from its hiding place in *The Pot of Gold*?
- (e) Why did Euclio beat the slave in *The Pot of Gold*?
- (f) On what condition did Euclio consent to the marriage between his daughter and Megadorous?
- (g) Who sends a false dream to Agamemnon in *The Iliad* (Book-II)?
- (h) How does Apollo react to Chryses' prayers for help?
- (i) What favour does Achilles ask of his mother?
- (j) Who raped and suppressed the speech of Philomela?

OR

Who is described by Horace as his friend from childhood?

- (k) What are the names of the sole survivors of the flood?

OR

Whose style is Horace critical of?

- (l) What does Cadmus bury to produce the first Thebans?

OR

Name any one poet mentioned by Horace at the beginning of "Satires" (1:4).

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