

2023

ENGLISH — GENERAL

Paper : GE/CC-2

(Essay, Drama and Novel)

Full Marks : 65

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

1. Answer the following questions in full sentences : 1×5
- (a) What name does Celia assume for her disguised self in the forest of Arden?
 - (b) Who is the 'chocolate cream soldier' in *Arms and the Man*?
 - (c) Why were Michael Henschard and his family travelling?
 - (d) Where was the narrator of 'Shooting an Elephant' posted?
 - (e) What were the names of Lamb's Dream Children?
2. Answer **any one** of the following questions : 15×1
- (a) How does Orwell narrate the experience of shooting the elephant?
 - (b) Discuss Charles Lamb's 'Dream Children : A Reverie' as a Romantic essay.
3. Answer the following questions : 15×2
- (a) Sketch the characters of Rosalind and Celia in William Shakespeare's *As You Like It*.
- Or,**
- (b) Why would you call *As You Like It* a successful comedy? Explain with textual references.
 - (c) Why does G. B. Shaw call *Arms and the Man* an anti-romantic comedy? Discuss with textual references.
- Or,**
- (d) Write a brief essay on the relationships between Bluntschli and Raina in *Arms and the Man*.
4. Answer **any one** of the following questions : 15×1
- (a) Write an essay on the character of Michael Henschard in *The Mayor of Casterbridge*.
 - (b) Is *The Mayor of Casterbridge* a tragedy? Discuss with textual references.
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