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Third Semester M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. Degree (Reg./Sup./Imp.) Examination, November 2015 ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (2013 and Earlier Admn.) Paper – XI : Elective : European Drama

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

I. Attempt essays on three of the following each not exceeding five pages, choosing atleast one from each Section.

SECTION - A

- 1) Does determinism play a vital role in Oedipus Rex? Comment.
- 2) Medea wavers five times before coming to a firm resolve to kill her children. Use instances from the play to demonstrate her firm resolve to kill.
- 3) Comment on the satire in Lysistrata.

SECTION - B

- 4) Why does Torvald constantly find fault with Nora for her wastefulness and foolishness?
- 5) Why was The Cherry Orchard mistaken for a Tragedy ?
- 6) Strindberg describes his heroine, Miss Julie as a woman with a 'weak and degenerate brain'. Comment.

SECTION-C

- 7) Discuss the personification of Death as a Beggar Woman in Blood Wedding.
- 8) How do the gods define 'goodness' in the Good Woman of Setzuan ?
- 9) Pirandello's use of the 'masks'.

 $(3 \times 20 = 60)$

II. Attempt short notes on any four of the following :

- 10) The Bride's explanation of her choices at the end of the play Blood Wedding.
- 11) The Wool metaphor in Lysistrata.
- 12) Sophocles.
- 13) Nora's definition of freedom.
- 14) Revenge motif in Medea.
- 15) The Cherry Orchard as the pivotal symbol in "Chekhov's play.
- 16) The role of the logician in Rhinoceros.

(4×5=20)