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SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY
M. A. FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
ENGLISH
WEDNESDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2016
10.00 A.M. TO 01.00 P.M.
PAO1EENGO8: WESTERN CLASSICS (OLD)

TOTAL MARKS: 70

Q. 1 A Define tragedy and discuss the integral aspects of Greek tragedy with (20) reference to textual examples from Oedipus the King.

Or

- Q. 1 B Sophocles's preoccupation with human senses in Oedipus the King (20) reflects the influence and the interrogation of the Presocratic philosophy of Parmenides. Substantiate.
- Q. 2 A Examine the quintessential elements of first Greek epic *The Iliad* (20) composed by the blind poet Homer and centred on the theme of Achilles's wrath and stubborn will.

Or

- Q. 2 B Discuss Homer's artistic rendering of the memorable Trojan War (20) between Greeks and Asians in *The Iliad*.
- Q. 3 A Consider Pindar as a Greek writer of odes.

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Or

- Q. 3 B Discuss Pindar's use of myths as well as his attitude and contribution to Greek mythology with suitable examples from his prescribed odes.
- Q. 4 A Write a Short Note on Any One of the following:

(1) The Sin and Curse of Oedipus

(10)

- (2) Character of Achilles
- (3) Olympian 1