## M.A ENGLISH 1<sup>st</sup> YEAR ASSIGNMENTS (2018-19)

## PAPER 2- (BRITISH DRAMA)

Assignment No.1 (Block 1 to 3)

To be submitted on or before:

Max. Marks: 30 Min. Marks: 12 PART-A (Multiple Choice Questions) I. Answer all questions. 5x2=10(i) The play **Doctor Faustus** is written by ------. (a) Christopher Marlowe (b) William Shakespeare (c) Ben Jonson (d) None of these (ii) Theseus and Hippolyta are characters from the play-----. (a) A Midsummer Night's Dream (b) **Hamlet** (c) Macbeth (d) Doctor Faustus (iii) "To be, or not to be" is the -----soliloquy in Hamlet. (a) First (b) Fourth (c) Third (d) Last (iv) Aristotle has divided tragedy into ----- elements. (a) Four (b) Six (c) Eight (d) Five (v) Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream is a -----. (a) Romantic Comedy (b) Tragedy (c) Satire (d) None of these

PART-B (Very Short Answer)

Note: Write very short Answers on any two (2) of the following questions 2x5=10

1. Annotate the following lines with reference to the context.

(a) Christ cannot save thy soul, for he is just;

(b) I do repent: and yet I do despair

2. What use did Elizabethan playwrights make of the play-within-the-play?

- 3. Who said that Shakespeare was a poet rather than a dramatist. Comment.
- 4. What are performance and reading texts?

## PART-C (Long Answer)

Note: Answer any one(1) of the following questions 1x10=10

- 1. Discuss Christopher Marlowe's **Doctor Faustus** as a Renaissance tragedy.
- 2. Examine the significance of dreams in Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream.
- 3. In what ways does Hamlet emerge as a procrastinating character? Examine with reference to the soliloquies in Shakespeare's **Hamlet**.