SHRIMATHI DEVKUNVAR NANALAL BHATT VAISHNAV COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS) (Affiliated to the University of Madras and Re-accredited with 'A+' Grade by NAAC) Chromepet, Chennai — 600 044. M.A. END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS APRIL - 2022 SEMESTER - IV

20PELCT4013 - Women's Writings

Total Duration : 3 Hrs.

Total Marks : 60

Section A

Answer any **SIX** questions $(6 \times 5 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

- 1. Interpret the following ending lines of the poem "A Man's Requirement": "Thus, if thou wilt prove me, Dear, /Woman's love no fable. /I will love thee half a year __/As a man is able."
- 2. Why must women write and how do they write differently, according to Helen Cixous?
- 3. Describe the themes in Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour".
- 4. Examine the character of Marlene.
- 5. Lakshmi Kannan enters into the inner psyche of womanhood and narrates the story in "Muniyakka" Explain.
- 6. Analyze the title of Margaret Atwood's The Handmaid's Tale.
- 7. Sketch the Character of Estha.
- 8. Caryl Churchill's plays explore the issues of class, gender, political corruption and environmental destruction. Substantiate with reference to Top Girls.

Section B

Part A

Answer any **TWO** questions $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ Marks})$

- 9. Examine the characteristics of women's writing with reference to the prescribed poems.
- 10. Explain how Adichie analyzes the idea of feminism and its stereotypes in "We Should All Be Feminists".
- 11. Justify the significance of the title "Draupadi".
- 12. Critically analyze Adrienne Kennedy's Funny House of a Negro.

Part B

Compulsory question $(1 \times 10 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

13. Comment on the idea of resistance and identity in The God of Small Things.
