STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2019 – 2020 and thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 19EL/MC/AC65

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023 BRANCH XII ENGLISH SIXTH SEMESTER

COURSE: MAJOR CORE TITLE: AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN LITERATURES

TIME: 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION A

I. Answer any four of the following in about 250 words each.

(4x10=40)

- 1. Discuss the character of Okonkwo in Chinua Achebe's Things Fall Apart.
- 2. Comment on the dramatic techniques in Wole Soyinka's The Lion and the Jewel.
- 3. How does Leopold Senghor celebrate the beauty of the black woman?
- 4. Discuss the symbolic significance of the title *Cairo: Memoir of a City Transformed* by Ahdaf Soueif.
- 5. Comment on the encounter of the coloniser and the colonised in David Rubadiri's "Stanley Meets Mutesa".
- 6. Examine the character of Crusoe in Derek Walcott's "Crusoe's Island".

SECTION B

II. Answer any three of the following in about 600 words.

(3x20=60)

- 7. Discuss the significance of the title *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe.
- 8. Comment on the cultural representations in Wole Soyinka's *The Lion and the Jewel*.
- 9. Examine the various themes in Chimamanda Adichie's "The Thing Around Your Neck".
- 10. Comment on the elements of subversion in Jean Rhys' Wide Sargasso Sea.
- 11. Critically analyse the themes and techniques in Makhosazana Xaba's "Running".
- 12. Discuss the portayal of caste, slavery, racism, and the immigrant experience in David Dabydeen's "The Counting House".
