MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME (MEG)

Term-End Examination December, 2023

MEG-13: WRITINGS FROM THE MARGINS

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt five questions in all. Question No. 1 is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Write notes on any two of the following (in **250** words each): $2\times10=20$
 - (a) Three different categories of Dalit Literature.
 - (b) Difference between the terms 'untouchable', 'Harijan', 'Scheduled caste' and 'Dalit'.
 - (c) Ambedkar's call for conversion.
 - (d) Khasi folk tradition.

2. Attempt a detailed critical analysis of Balbir Modhopuri's *Changia Rukh : Against the Night*.

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- With specific reference to the poems "Naked Truths" and "With Love", discuss Sunny Kavikkad as a Dalit poet.
- 4. Describe the stories "The Poisoned Bread" and "The Storeyed House" as representations of literature of 'revolt and 'protest'.
- Elucidate upon the concept of Tribal Discourse.
 Also discuss in detail the forms of Tribal Discourse.
- 6. Write a detailed note on Santal folk tales citing from the stories in your course to support your answer.
- 7. What does the word 'Koc-harethi' mean? Comment on the significance of the novel Kocharethi: The Araya Woman by Narayan. 20
- 8. Comment of the predicament of Gumba in Lummer Dai's short story" The Price of Bride".