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MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH) (MEG)

Term-End Examination December, 2021

MEG-16: INDIAN FOLK LITERATURE

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: (i) Attempt any five questions in about 700 words each.

- (ii) Each question carries 20 marks.
- (iii) Question No. 10 is compulsory.
- 1. Evaluate the significance of folk tradition in Indian literature with special reference to 'Folktates from India' by A. K. Ramanujan. 20
- Critically appreciate the text 'When the World was Young' by Verrier Elwin. 20

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3.	Manoj Das's 'Tales Told by Mystics' bases ifself
	on the rich, indigenous, mythological resources.
	Discuss. 20
4.	Give your views on the future of oral epics in
	India. What are the relations between Indian
	folk epics and Sanskrit epics? 20
5.	"Proverbs, riddles and speeches are important
	folk forms that capture the collective
	imagination of a people." Discuss. 20
6.	What, according to Bakhtin, are the three folk
	forms of the folk culture of humour? 20
7.	"Girish Karnad's 'Nagamandala' and
	'Hayavadana' represent the rich folk traditions
	of India." Discuss. 20
8.	Discuss the different theoretical approaches to

- the study of folklore in India. 20
- 9. Attempt a critical essay on different forms and variations of folk songs and dances. 20

10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$

- (a) Sanskritization
- (b) Palace Paradigm
- (c) Tamasha, Nautanki, Bideshiya
- (d) Ramayana as a folk text