MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME (MEG)

Term-End Examination June, 2024

MEG-14 : CONTEMPORARY INDIAN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Discuss with reference to the context, any *four* of the following passages: $4 \times 5 = 20$
 - (a) Cave roofs are pushed and splintered,Mistakes are fine follies howl,Every eye begets its many dreams,
 - (b) Love live thirst,Though all the world is for youYet the most precious gift of all

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- (c) We'll strive to untie the narcissus with you,And she'll be able to satiate her longings,O bumble bee, the black bumble bee!
- (d) What impudence in the sunlight.The wind's thoughts are wandering,as though it has seen the long banished over.
- (e) The moans that floated into the still autumn nights were borne by the cold winds.
- (f) That can't beThat can't beShe had died many years agoShe cannot live any longer
- 2. What part does religion play in *Tamas*?

 Discuss. 20 (400 words)

Or

Do you think *Sanskara* is a repudiation of Brahminism? Discuss.

3. In what way is *Tughlaq* a well-structured play? Substantiate. 20 (400 words)

Or

"There are opposing extremes in the characters of Sultan Mohammad Tughlaq." Comment with reference to the play *Tughlaq*.

- 4. Write short notes on any two of the following (in 400 words): $20 \times 10 = 20$
 - (a) The role of memory in Birds
 - (b) Narrative technique in Salt
 - (c) The Compromise as an allegory
 - (d) Stark realism in *Birthday*
- 5. Discuss the salient features of the writer's style in *Manimahesh*. 20 (**400** words)

Or

What exactly was Premchand's vision of truth and beauty? Examine with suitable examples.