M.A. 4th Semester Examination, 2024 ENGLISH

(Literature of the Indian Sub-Continent: Fiction

and Non-Fiction in English)

PAPER - ENG-402A (Old)

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 hours

Answer all questions

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

A. Answer any two of the following questions: 8×7

1. Comment on the portrayal of Matangini in Rajmohan's Wife.

- 2. Discuss the narrative technique in R.K. Narayan's *The Guide*.
- 3. Do you think Raja Rao's Kanthapura is a novel on Gandhian ideas? Substantiate your answer.
- 4. Evaluate critically the portrayal of Praneshacharya in Ananthamurthy's Samskara.
- B. Answer any four of the following questions:
 - 5. Comment briefly on the role of Kanak in Rajmohan's Wife.
 - 6. Analyse briefly the role of Gaffur in *The Guide*.
 - 7. Critically comment on the ending of *The Guide*.
 - 8. Write a short note on the use of 'Harikatha' in Kanthapura.

- 9. Write a short note on the role of the Coffee Estate Workers in the Gandhian Movement in Kanthapura.
- 10. Comment on the role of Putta in Samskara.
- C. Answer any four of the following questions:
 2 × 4
 11. Why did Matangini undertake the perilous journey to Madhav's house at night in Rajmohan's Wife?
 - 12. Write the names of the two rivers mentioned in Rajmohan's Wife.
 - 13. Why did Raju forge Rosie's signature in *The Guide*?
 - 14. Mention the name of Marco's monograph in *The Guide*.
 - 15. Why was the month of Kartik important for the villagers of Kanthapura?

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16. Why did Praneshacharya marry Bhagirathi?

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]