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# THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2015

(CUCSS)

English

## EN 3E 18-MALAYALAM LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

- I. Answer all the questions in a word, phrase or sentence :-
  - 1 Where are the twin blue fish kept by the poet?
  - 2 What does the speaker in 'Colossus' have to face the giant?
  - 3 What do the birds chirp in Balamani Amma's poem?
  - 4 How did Pappu find money to pay the final examination fee of his foster daughter?
  - 5 Who is Sarah's husband in Behold! He comes again?
  - 6 Where is O.V. Vijayan's novel set?
  - 7 What job did the character Ravi in The Capital do when he was in hiding?
  - 8 What was most remembered about the granddad in the novel?

 $(8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4 \text{ weightage})$ 

- II. Answer any six of the following in 150 words each :-
  - 9 The Preacher in The Capital.
  - 10 Malathi's role in The Capital.
  - 11 The subaltern in Nadugaddika.
  - 12 Nature in Balamani Amma's poem.
  - 13 Symbolic significance of the 'Blue Fish'.
  - 14 The two mothers of the poem 'The Mother Tigress'.
  - 15 Women in Legends of Khasak.
  - 16 The attitude of the narrator to vanity in Basheer's novel.
  - 17 Palani in Chemmeen.
  - 18 Subhadra.

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

Turn over

III. Write essays in 450 words on any four, choosing one from each section :-

### Section A

- 19 Mortality is a chief concern of Romanticism: Discuss in relation to 'The Fallen Flower'.
- 20 G. Sankara Kurup's defence of the Master carpenter.
- 21 Justify the title 'Manaswini'.

### Section B

- 22 How does Chandu Menon undermine traditional values in the novel?
- 23 Basheer's novel has a deceptive simplicity and unfathomable ideological depth: Discuss.
- 24 What features of modernity do you find in The Mist?

### Section C

- 25 Nadugaddika is a radical theatrical statement against dominant values : Elaborate.
- 26 Sketch the character of Madhu in the play The Capital.
- 27 The ideological undercurrents in the play Investment.

#### Section D

- 28 Discuss the use of poetic devices in Malayalam poetry based on poems of your choice.
- 29 Discuss the features of the historical novel taking Marthandavarma as an example.
- 30 How do the modern Malayalam plays differ from earlier plays in theme and portrayal?

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ weights})$