BHARATA MATA COLLEGE, THRIKKAKARA

Model Examination February 2020

Paper Code: 6EN5 Paper Title: Regional Literatures in Translation

Maximum Mark: 80

Part A. Answer any 10 out of 12 questions

(10x2 = 20)

- 1. How was Bheema's life "inextricably woven with the corpses" in the story "Gold from the Grave"?
- 2. What is Source Language and Target Language?
- 3. Why was translation conventionally perceived as a subsidiary art?
- 4. How does the poet describe Banalata Sen?
- 5. How does a girl fall in love, according to Angoori in the story "The Weed"?
- 6. "A text is not a finished corpus of writing." Explain with the examples of Indian epics.
- 7. What did Dante Gabriel Rossetti say about translation in 1861?
- 8. Why did the poet say that mother cannot be compared to greater wives of Gandhi and Ramakrishna?
- 9. Does Malayalam Literature and Language owes much to translation?
- 10. How does the husband react to the wife's complaints about the absence of the maid in the story "Washing Machine"?
- 11. How does Satchidananadan compare stammer with poetry in the poem "Stammer"?
- 12. Why did Bishan Singh refuse to go to India in "Toba Tek Singh"?

Part B. Answer any 6 out of 9 questions

(6x5=30)

- 13. Comment on the metaphor of sailor in the poem "Banalata Sen"?
- 14. Why does Satchidanandan argue that God too must have stammered when He created man?
- 15. Keya Majumdar argues that "the play of trace can never be pinpointed in translation". Substantiate.
- 16. "Diasporic writers constantly translate themselves". Discuss.
- 17. How does Manto's "Toba Tek Singh" comment on the madness, violence and the uncertainty that accompanied Partition?
- 18. How did love metamorphose Angoori in the story "The Weed"?
- 19. How did the theoretical developments in the 1960s influence Translation Studies?
- 20. Discuss how superstitions, beliefs and customs become tools of patriarchy to suppress women in the light of Amrita Pritam's story "The Weed".
- 21. Briefly discuss the images used in the poem "Mother" to evoke the wildness of the mother.

Part C. Answer any 2 out of 4 questions

(2x15=30)

- 22. "Gold from the Grave" depicts the miserable living conditions of the marginalised sections in India. Discuss.
- 23. Examine the question of "untranslatability" in the light of the three essays prescribed.
- 24. The poem "Stammer" apart from exploring the imperfection of language and the philosophical question of Creation, is a commentary on the contemporary socio-political climate. Discuss.
- 25. "Why should you slog when there is a machine for every household chores; there is a machine for chapatti making, ready-made idly dough...", Satish went on.

"These machines are nothing; your concern and love for me, they will keep going forever", Savitri gushed.

Discuss how technology replaces actual human presence in performing traditional gender roles in the story "Washing Machine".