Max. Marks: 75

B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2025

SEMESTER 6 : ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE MODEL I

COURSE : 19U6CRENL15B : MODERN MALAYALAM LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION

(For Regular 2022 Admission and Supplementary 2021/2020 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

PART A

Answer any 10 (1 marks each)

- 1. Describe the setting of "Neypayasam."
- 2. Which prison was Basheer sent to?
- 3. What is the real name of Mungamkozhi?
- 4. Name the three children in "Neypayasam."
- 5. Who is Abida?
- 6. What does Vasu call his eldest brother?
- 7. What is the name of the village on which Khasak is based?
- 8. Identify the tone of "The Theft."
- 9. What does Basheer consider 'a bigger jail'?
- 10. Name the Malayalam poet who is also a renowned critic, professor, and one of the pioneers of translation theory in India.

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

PART B Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. With what simple acts do 'the mad' control Nature?
- 12. Who is Rasak in "The Walls"?
- 13. Why does Ravi feel guilty?
- 14. Write a note on the hospital orderly in *The Walls*.
- 15. Attempt an analysis of Vasu's mind when he sees Leela for the first time.
- 16. Describe the appearance of Leela.
- 17. Why did the thief steal clothes?
- 18. Name the four sisters of Neeli.
- 19. Examine sweeping as a metaphor in Anitha Thampi's poem.
- 20. What is Narayani's reply when Basheer asks her how she came to know of his roses?

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

PART C

Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Write a note on the social commentary in "The Theft."
- 22. Is Ravi the protagonist of *The Legends of Khasak*? State your views.
- 23. How does Basheer react to the 'fragrance of a woman'?
- 24. Examine how the mother reads between the lines of what Janu says.
- 25. Discuss Basheer's response when Anian Jailor announces his release.
- 26. Describe the fight between Ravi and Nizam Ali.
- 27. Why is the speaker offended when someone calls him a thief, even though he admits to stealing?

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. *The Legends of Khasak* echoes the basic dilemmas of existence. Discuss.
- 29. "Basheer's camaraderie with Narayani has a therapeutic effect on him." Discuss.
- 30. "Modern Malayalam poetry is complex in its critique of the very foundations of our valuesystems." Discuss with reference to the prescribed poems.
- 31. Through "The Last Show," Paul Zacharia marks a shift from passive reading to active reading." Discuss.

(12 x 2 = 24)