# Department of English M.A. English – IVth Semester

Course Title:Indian Writing in Translation

Course Code: DSE III (i) 405 Total Marks: 20

#### **Important Instructions:**

- Students are required to prepare three separate assignments.
- All questions must be answered in about 250 words.
- Only handwritten submissions will be accepted and evaluated.
- Failure to submit assignments in the given time frame may result in the **non-issuance of** admit cards.
- Students must attempt any two questions from each assignment.
- A sample of the title page is also attached.

### Assignment – I

Total Marks - 07

 $(3.5 \times 2 = 7)$ 

- 1. How does Act I serve the purpose of exposition of the play *AbhijñānaShākuntalam*? How appropriate is the title of Act I as 'The Chase'?
- 2. Critically comment on Shakuntala's plight in AbhijñānaShākuntalam.
- 3. How does the novel *Tamas* address the impact of political decisions on ordinary people?
- 4. What part does religion play in *Tamas*?

## Assignment - II

#### Total Marks - 07

 $(3.5 \times 2 = 7)$ 

- 5. "Samskara is an attack on decaying Brahminism." Comment.
- 6. Discuss Samskara as an existential novel.
- 7. How does *Rudali* address the issue of subalternity and marginalisation?
- 8. "*Rudali* is a touching tale of the women whose life is fraught with poverty of many kinds." Throw ample light.

#### Assignment - III

## Total Marks - 06

 $(3 \times 2 = 6)$ 

- 9. Discuss the fundamental postulates of Premchand's *Intent of Literature*.
- 10. "Empathy: An Insight into Shiv Kumar Batalvi's Luna." Throw light.
- 11. How does *Luna* document various shades of Punjabiyat with reference to memes and archetypes?
- 12. Examine the themes of love, longing and loss in Luna.

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