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M. A. (Sem. I) (CBCS) Examination

December – 2016

English : Comparative Literature :

Nature, History & Theory

(New Course)

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

- Instructions :** (1) Attempt all questions.
(2) All questions carry equal marks.

- 1 (a) "Comparative literature sharpens our understanding of the most national characteristics of our great writers; we are defined only by comparing ourselves to others; we do not know ourselves when we know only ourselves." Discuss the significance of Comparative literature as a discipline in the light of the statement.

OR

- (b) Write a note on the nature of Comparative literature as a discipline of literary study and show its uniqueness from other types of literary studies.
- 2 (a) "Comparative Indian literature has similarities and dissimilarities with Comparative Literature in Europe or the West as such". Discuss.

OR

- (b) Write a critical note on the American School of Comparative Literature.
- 3 (a) What is 'Influence Study' ? Discuss the major observations of Rene Wellek in this regard.

OR

- (b) What is 'Reception Study'? Discuss the reception of Shakespeare in India.

4 (a) What is 'stoff criticism'? Discuss the nature of thematology.

OR

(b) What is 'Translation'? Discuss its major characteristics.

5 Write short notes : (any **two**)

(i) Product

(ii) Stoff

(iii) National Literature

(iv) Literary Translation.
