



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ENGLISH LITERATURE

FIFTH SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2011

EL 5401 - INDIAN FOLKLORE

Date : 10-11-2011
Time : 9:00 - 12:00

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

I. Write short notes on any FIVE of the following oral genres.

(5x4=20)

1. Urumiaatam.
2. Bommalaatam
3. Folktale.
4. Folk Dance
5. Lullaby
6. Riddle
7. Ballad
8. Five proverbs

II. Answer in paragraphs on any FOUR of the following in not less than 150 words each: (4x10=40)

9. *Karagattam* is the central attraction of our temple festivals. Explain its tradition.
10. Folk songs and dances in our Tamil films.
11. Mention some of our South Indian musical instruments and their features.
12. *Poikkal kudiraiaattam*, *Oyilaattam*, *Bommalaattam* are part and parcel of our culture. Explain.
13. What are the characteristics of folklore?

III. Attempt essays on any Two of the following in 300-500 words each:

(2x20=40)

14. Share your experience of your participation or observation of at least two or three folk dances and songs in local festivals, if any.
15. Our traditional folk dances and folk songs are being forgotten these days in the world of digital music and modern dance form. Could you suggest some remedial methods to revive these traditional songs and dances?
16. Folk songs which are very common in Tamil Literature.
