LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

**B.A.** DEGREE EXAMINATION – **ENGLISH LITERATURE**

FIFTH SEMESTER – **APRIL 2012**

# EL 5401 - INDIAN FOLKLORE

Date : 27-04-2012 Dept. No. Max. : 100 Marks

Time : 1:00 - 4:00

**I.Write short notes on any FIVE of the following oral genres: (5x4=20)**

1. Lullaby
2. Villupattu
3. Silambaatam
4. Folk Dance
5. Devaraatam
6. Kavadi Aatam
7. Folktale
8. Bommaalaatam

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

1. Mention some of our South Indian musical instruments and their features.
2. Poikkal kudiraiaattam,Oyilaattam,Bommalaattam are part and parcel of our culture.Explain.
3. Mention some of the folk songs used in tamil films?
4. Bring out the speciality of the Veena and the Nadaswaram.
5. What are traditional folk forms of our culture? Explain at least four of them.

**III. Attempt essays on any Two of the following in 300-500 words each: (2x20=40)**

1. Discuss some of the temple festivals in Tamilnadu incorporated in folksongs and folkdances.
2. Write a folk tale from your memory and explain its theme.
3. Folk songs which are most common in Tamil Literature.

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