

Entrance Examinations – 2025
Ph.D. Folk Culture Studies

Hall Ticket No. _____

Time : 2 hours

Max. Marks : 70

Instructions:

1. This question paper consists of 9 pages including this page.
2. The question paper consists of two Parts : Part A (35 marks) and Part B (35 marks).
3. **PART – A and B** should be **answered** in the **Answer Book** provided separately to the candidate.
4. The question paper can be taken away by the candidate.

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Part A should be answered in the Answer Book

Marks: 35

I. Multiple Choice (Simple selection):

(15 x 1 =15)

1. Proverbs are structured as
 - A) Form and function
 - B) Topic description and a comment
 - C) Minimal units of narration
 - D) Descriptive elements of Head and tail
2. International Day of World Indigenous people?
 - A) February 14
 - B) April 1
 - C) August 9
 - D) August 22
3. Who gave the revolutionary message “No Caste, no religion no God for man”?
 - A) Ayyan Kali
 - B) Sree Narayana Guru
 - C) Chattampi Swamy
 - D) Jyotirao Phule
4. Which tribe is living in Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
 - A) Chenchu
 - B) Asur
 - C) Dhodia
 - D) Jarawas
5. Who is the compiler of linguistics survey of India in the year 1904?
 - A) George A Grierson
 - B) John Hoffman
 - C) J C Whitely
 - D) Brown R
6. The Concept of ‘Type’ in a folktale was proposed:
 - A) Vladimir Propp
 - B) Alan Dundes
 - C) R. M. Dorson
 - D) Stith Thomson

7. Indic Origin Diachronic Theory was propounded by
A) Bronislaw Malinowski
B) Archer Taylor
C) Theodor Benfey
D) Von Sydow
8. Magical assault by the use of effigy is propounded by
A) E.B. Tylor
B) L.H Morgan
C) Andrew Lang
D) J.G. Frazer
9. The practice of dislodging an evil spirit from a person by prayers or charms is known as
A) Exorcism
B) Evil eye
C) Sympathetic Magic
D) Divination
10. Roman Jakobson's approach to poetry is essentially that of the
A) Aesthetics
B) Linguistics
C) Ethno-poetics
D) Dramaturgy
11. Culinary gratification that reaffirms social solidarity to an assembly of individuals is called
A) Ritual
B) Mourning
C) Feast
D) Ceremony
12. Written, anonymous, short and frequently traditional commentaries placed on public walls is known as
A) Murals
B) Miniature
C) Rock art
D) Graffiti
13. The paradigmatic model to analyze the structure of narrative was used by
A) V. J. Propp
B) C. Levi-Strauss
C) F. Saussure
D) A.J. Greimas

14. Legend has a strong base in
- A) History
 - B) Mythology
 - C) Religion
 - D) Literature
15. Field Diary is used to record -----
- A) Findings
 - B) Interviews
 - C) Observations
 - D) Research Plan

II. Multiple Choice (Complex selection) :

(15 x 1 =15)

1. The term Ethnology denote
- a) Study of a community
 - b) Study of Tradition
 - c) Study of Peoples
 - d) Study of Cultures

Code:

- A) (a), (b) and (c) are correct
- B) (b) and (d) are correct
- C) (b) and (c) are correct
- D) (c) and (d) are correct

2. Historic-Geographic Method developed for the study of folklore based on the comparison of variants is aimed initially at the discovery of
- a) Local Redactions
 - b) Diffusion Pathways
 - c) Universal Disperse
 - d) Evolution Process

Code:

- A) (a) and (b) are correct
- B) (b) and (d) are correct
- C) (b) and (c) are correct
- D) (c) and (d) are correct

3. What do santhals call themselves?
- a) Kol
 - b) Hoda
 - c) Hod Munda
 - d) Kol Munda

Code:

- A) (a) (b) and (c)
- B) (c) (b) and (d)
- C) (a) (c) and (d)
- D) (b) and (d)

4. In folklore scholarship the concept of Performance consist of

- a) Exceptional Proxemics
- b) Patterned Actions
- c) Patterned audience
- d) Customary Performers

Code:

- A) (a) and (b) are correct
- B) (b) and (d) are correct
- C) (b) and (c) are correct
- D) (c) and (d) are correct

5. Research is conducted to

- a) Generate new knowledge
- b) Generate subjective knowledge
- c) Validate existing knowledge
- d) Validate commodification of knowledge

Code:

- A) (c) and (d)
- B) (a) and (d)
- C) (a) and (c)
- D) (b) and (d)

6. Ethnographic Method in conducting research signify

- a) From Particular to General Ideas
- b) From General to Specific Ideas
- c) Top- Down Approach
- d) Bottom-Up Approach

Code:

- A) (c) and (d) are correct
- B) (b) and (d) are correct
- C) (b) and (c) are correct
- D) (a) and (d) are correct

7. Survey Method in conducting research signify

- a) Participant Observation
- b) Focus Group Discussion
- c) Quantification of Data
- d) Statistical Inferences

Code:

- A) (b) and (d) are correct
- B) (2) (c) and (d) are correct
- C) (3) (b) and (c) are correct
- D) (4) (a) and (d) are correct

8. Hagiographic legends are connected with

- a) Apostles
- b) Saints
- c) Chiefs
- d) Warriors

Code:

- A) (b) and (c) are correct
- B) (a) and (b) are correct
- C) (a) and (d) are correct
- D) (c) and (d) are correct

9. A special state in a transition ritual is known as

- a) Liminality
- b) Immunitas
- c) Incorporation
- d) Communitas

Code:

- A) (b) and (c) are correct
- B) (a) and (b) are correct
- C) (a) and (d) are correct
- D) (c) and (d) are correct

10. Give the chronological order of the books of Alan Dundes

- a) Folklore matters
- b) Interpreting Folklore
- c) Life is like a Chicken Coop Ladder
- d) The morphology of North American Indian Folktales

Code:

- A) (a), (c), (b), (d)
- B) (d), (a), (c), (b)
- C) (b), (d), (a), (c)
- D) (d), (b), (c), (a)

11. Write the correct order of application of Research tools in Folklore:

- a) Interview
- b) Literature Survey
- c) Selection of informant
- d) Validation of data

Code:

- A) (a), (b), (c), (d)
- B) (b), (a), (d), (c)
- C) (d), (c), (a), (b)
- D) (b), (c), (a), (d)

12. Deductive Method of reasoning in conducting research signify

- a) From Particular to General Ideas
- b) From General to Specific Ideas
- c) Top- Down Approach
- d) Bottom-Up Approach

Code:

- A) (b) and (c) are correct
- B) (c) and (d) are correct
- C) (b) and (d) are correct
- D) (a) and (d) are correct

13. Participant-Observation Method is followed as field technique by

- a) Alan Dundes
- b) Kaarle Krohn
- c) Bronisław Malinowski,
- d) Evans-Pritchard

Code:

- A) (b) and (c) are correct
- B) (a) and (b) are correct
- C) (c) and (d) are correct
- D) (a) and (d) are correct

14. The term Folkloristics denote

- a) Scholastic exposition
- b) Study of Narrative Tradition
- c) Academic discipline
- d) Study of expressive tradition

Code:

- A) (c) and (d) are correct
- B) (a), (b) and (c) are correct
- C) (b) and (d) are correct
- D) (b) and (c) are correct

15. Identify the sequence of Fieldwork Research Process:

- A) Gatekeepers, Research site, Documentation, Informants.
- B) Gatekeepers, Documentation, Research site, Informants.
- C) Research site, Gatekeepers, Documentation, Informants.
- D) Documentation, Gatekeepers, Research site, Informants

III. Match the following:

(1 x 5 = 5)

List – I (Research Method)

List – II (Research Approach)

- 1. Survey method
- 2. Experimental method
- 3. Hermeneutic method
- 4. Ethnographic method
- 5. Interview method

- A. Technical Approach
- B. Field approach
- C. Quantitative approach
- D. Qualitative approach
- E. Textual approach

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Part B

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I. Answer any **Two** of the following: **(2 x 10 = 20)**

1. Myth and literature are inter related because of their shared traits of narrative, character, image and themes - Discuss.
2. Write an Essay on the Qualitative and Quantitative research methods with suitable examples in the area of Culture.
3. Folklore is truly an interdisciplinary subject –Explain with examples
4. Discuss the role and nature of folklore in the digital sphere

II. Answer any **Three** of the following: **(3 x 5 = 15)**

1. Folk Religion
2. Heritage
3. Popular Culture
4. Urbanisation
5. Fieldwork
