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### UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

### 2014 /2015 ACADEMIC YEAR

# 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

## MAIN EXAMINATION

### FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTERS OF ARTS IN COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

COURSE CODE: LIT 814

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS IN LITERATURE 2

DATE: DECEMBER, 2014 TIME:

### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

Question 1 is compulsory

- 1. Assess the statement that, 'research starts with a view of the existing primary and secondary data'.
- 2. How do you justify research in literature?
- 3. "A major hurdle for majority of researchers is to come up with a research problem." What advice can you give?
- 4. Explain the different types of data in a literary research and their application.
- 5. Give a detailed exposition of research methods applicable in a literary research.
- 6. Discuss the nature and significance of a hypothesis in a research process.
- 7. Assess the significance of choice of 'forms of discourse' in academic writing.