First Year M.A (Previous) Degree Examinations October / November 2016

(Directorate of Distance Education)

ENGLISH

DPA 510 : Paper – I – Chaucer and the Sixteenth Century

Time: 3 hrs.] [Max.Marks:70/80

- **Note:** 1. Students who have attended 30 marks I-A scheme will have to answer for total of 70 marks.
 - 2. Students who have attended 20 marks I-A scheme will have to answer for total of 80 marks.
 - 3. Question No I1 in Section B is compulsory for 80 marks scheme only.

SECTION - A

Note: Answer any FIVE of the following:

5X14 = 70

- **1.** *Dr Faustus* is about a fundamental question that troubled the Renaissance, the nature of the universe. Elaborate.
- **2.** *The Volpone* is a play about the generation gap. Substantiate.
- **3.** Comment on the exile motif in *The Tempest*.
- **4.** Comment on the Biblical allegory and imageries in *Richard II*.
- **5.** *Hamlet* is dramatized on two planes the practical world of Gertrude and Claudius and the psycho-real word of Hamlet. Substantiate.
- **6.** Wyatt's sonnets are as a rule structured around a central metaphor. Substantiate with examples.
- 7. Comment on the autobiographical elements in Spenser's marriage poems.
- **8.** Comment on Nature description in *The Book of Job*.
- **9.** Chaucer's character description is a treatise on professional ethics. Substantiate.
- **10.** Analyze the Duchess's relations to her brother Ferdinand.

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SECTION - B

(Q.No.11 is compulsory for 80 marks scheme only)

1X10=10

11. a) Write a note on the use of hyperboles and oxymoron in Surrey's sonnets.

OR

b) Write a note on the Renaissance attitude to the supernatural as exhibited in the literary texts of the time.

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