MANIPURI
PAPER-I
(Answers must be written in Manipuri)

Section  A

Language :
(a) General characteristics of Manipuri Language and history of its development; its importance and status among the Tibeto-Burman Languages of North-East India; recent development in the study of Manipuri Language; evolution and study of old Manipuri script.

(b) Significant features of Manipuri Language :
   (i) Phonology : Phoneme-vowels, consonants juncture, tone, consonant cluster and its occurrence, syllable-its structure, pattern and types.
   (ii) Morphology : Word-class, root and its types; affix and its types; grammatical categories-gender, number, person, case, tense and aspects, process of compounding (samas and sandhi).
   (iii) Syntax : Word order; types of sentences, phrase and clause structures.

Section B

(a) Literary History of Manipuri :
   Early period (up to 17th Century)-Social and cultural background; Themes, diction and style of the works.
   Medieval period (18th and 19th Century)-Social, religious and political background; Themes, diction and style of the works.
   Modern period-Growth of major literary forms; change of Themes, diction and style.

(b) Manipuri Folk Literature :
   Legend, Folktale, Folksong, Ballad, Proverb and Riddle.

(c) Aspects of Manipuri Culture :
   Pre-Hindu Manipuri Faith; Advent of Hinduism and the process of syncreticism;
   Performing arts-Lai Haraoba, Maha Ras;
   Indegenous games-Sagol Kangjei, Khong Kangjei, Kang.
PAPER-II
(Answers must be written in Manipuri)
This paper will require first hand reading of the texts prescribed and will be designed to test candidate’s critical ability to assess them.

Section A

Old and Medieval Manipuri Literature :

(a) Old Manipuri Literature : 
1. O. Bhogeswar Singh (Ed.): Numit Kappa
2. M. Gourachandra Singh (Ed.): Thawanthaba Hiran
3. N. Khelchandra Singh (Ed.): Naethingkhong Phambal Kaba
4. M. Chandra Singh (Ed.): Panthoibi Khonggul

(b) Medieval Manipuri Literature : 
1. M. Chandra Singh (Ed.): Samsok Ngamba
2. R.K. Snahal Singh (Ed.): Ramayana Adi Kanda
3. N. Khelchandra Singh (Ed.): Dhananjoy Laibu Ningba
4. O. Bhogeswar Singh (Ed.): Chandrakirti Jila Changba

Section B

Modern Manipuri Literature :

(a) Poetry and Epic :

(1) Poetry : 
(a) Manipuri Sheireng (Pub) Manipuri Sahitya Parishad, 1998 (Ed.)
Kh. Chaoba Singh : Pi Thadoi, Lamgi Chekla Amada, Loktak
Dr. L. Kamal Singh : Nirjanata, Nirab Rajani
A. Minaketan Singh : Kamalda, Nonggumlalkkhoda.
L. Samarendra Singh: Ingagi Nong, Mamang Leikai Thambal Satle
E. Nilakanta Singh : Manipur, Lamangnaba
Shri Biren : Tangkhul Hui
Th. Ibopishak : Anouba Thunglaba Jiba.

(b) Kanchi Sheireng. (Pub) Manipur University 1998 (Ed.)
Dr. L. Kamal Singh : Biswa-Prem
Shri Biren : Chaphadraba Laigi Yen
Th. Ibopishak : Norok Patal Prithivi
(II) Epic :
1. A. Dorendrajit Singh : Kansa Bodha
2. H. Anganghal Singh : Khamba-Thoibi Sheireng(San-Senba, Lei Langba,Shamu Khonggi Bichar)

(III) Drama :
1. S. Lalit Singh : Areppa Marup
2. G.C. Tongbra : Matric Pass
3. A. Samarendra : Judge Saheb ki Imung

(b) Novel, Short-story and Prose :

(I) Novel :
1. Dr. L. Kamal Singh : Madhabi
2. H. Anganghal Singh : Jahera
3. H. Guno Singh : Laman
4. Pacha Meetei : Imphal Amasung, Magilshing, Nungsitki Phibam

(II) Short-story :
(a) Kanchi Warimacha (Pub) Manipur University 1997(Ed.)
   R.K. Shitaljit Singh : Kamala Kamala
   M.K. Binodini : Eigi Thahoudraba HeatupLalu
   Kh. Prakash : Wanom Shareng
(b) Parishadki Khangatlabwa Warimacha (Pub) Manipuri Sahitya Parishad 1994
(Ed.)
   S. Nilbir Shastri : Loukhatpa
   R.K. Elangba : Karinunggi

(c) Anouba Manipuri Warimacha (Pub) The Cultural Forum Manipur 1992 (Ed.)
   N. Kunjamohon Singh : Ijat Tanba
   E. Dinamani : Nongthak Khongnang

(III) Prose :
(a) Warenggi Saklon [Due Part] (Pub) The Cultural Forum Manipur 1992 (Ed.)
   Kh. Chaoba Singh : Kamba-Thoibi WariAmasung Mahakavya
(b) Kanchi Wareng (Pub) Manipur University, 1998 (Ed.)
   B. Manisana Shastri : Phajaba
   Ch. Manihar Singh : Lai-Haraoba

(c) Apunba Wareng (Pub) Manipur University, 1986 (Ed.)
   Ch. Pishak Singh : Samaj Amasung Sanskriti
   M.K. Binodini : Thoibidu Warouhouda
   Eric Newton : Kalagi Mahousa (translated by I.R. Babu)

(d) Manipuri Wareng (Pub) The Cultural Forum Manipur 1999 (Ed.)
   S. Krishnamohan Singh : Lan