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To,

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NO./Ph.D./SECRET/2020/435/10/A

DATE: 09.12.2020

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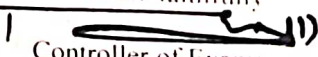
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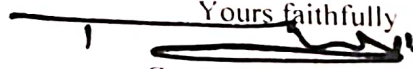
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PROFORMA FOR THE WRITING Ph. D. THESIS REPORT

- 1- Name of the Candidate Sri Narender Sharma, Registration No. 13040-186
- 2- Subject: English
- 3- Name of the Doctorate Degree :Ph. D.
- 4- Title of thesis : "Underpinnings of Gadhian Through on Raja Rao's Vision of India: A critical study of Selected Texts"
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- (a) The candidate be admitted to the degree.
- Or
- (b) The candidate should improve and resubmit the thesis.
- Or
- (c) The thesis should be rejected.

REPORT

In his thesis, Mr. Narender Sharma has undertaken an analysis of select texts of Raja Rao for the point of view of Gandhian thought. The thesis has been divided into six parts, including the Introduction and Conclusion. The four main chapters deal with philosophical, social and political themes in his novels (in that order) and the fourth chapter is devoted to technique and style. A major flaw in an otherwise

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Report (Continued)

Good thesis is the candidate's use of "Bibli" and page numbers in "Works Cited" at the end of each chapter. This is not in consonance with the M.A. Handbook 7th or 8th edition. There is, however, sufficient evidence in the thesis of the candidate's analytical ability and the thesis is also satisfactory from the point of view of language and presentation. I, therefore, recommend the award of the Ph.D. degree in English to the candidate after successful performance in the viva voce.

Place: Ahmednagar
 Date: 02/05/21.


 (Prof. A. H. Hamed)

Note: No remuneration bill form was enclosed with the thesis as mentioned in the letter of Controller of Exams.





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REPORT

The thesis entitled "Underpinnings of Gandhian Thought on Raja Rao's Vision of India: A critical study of select Texts" attempts to explore the layers and paradigms of Gandhian thought in Raja Rao's Kanthapura, the meaning of India, the great Indian way, the serpent and the Rope, the cat and Shakespeare, and Combrads, Kinnikinn. The discussion has been

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divided into four chapters preceded by an "Introduction" and succeeded by a "Conclusion"

Chapter I expostulates the philosophical and metaphysical themes of "Truth" and "Advaitism" in novels like Kanthapura Col and Shakespeare, Comrade Kirilov

The Chessmaster and his Moves and The Serpent and the Rope

The researcher has skillfully brought out the crux of Advait Vedanti philosophy with the help of circuitous arguments and internal evidences

Chapter II attempts at locating social themes in the same set of novels. Rao's mission to use his words and short stories as a platform for showcasing social realities and also as vehicles of change, have thoroughly been explicated in the chapter

Chapter III discusses Rao's novels as a critique of the political history of India. And to this effect Kanthapura has been bludied as an allegory of Gandhi's Freedom Movement.

Chapter IV dwells on the narrative techniques and linguistic tools used in Rao's novels. Rao's experiment with the narrative patterns of Ramayan and Mahabharata have been analysed in detail.

The last chapter is "Conclusion". The thesis provides a new perspective to Raja Rao studies by digging out the minutest evidences on philosophical and socio-political discourses presented in the novels.

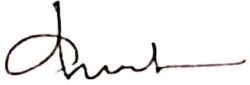
The thesis has very neatly been organised and presented. Surprisingly there are no grammatical or typing mistakes in it.

The referencing adheres to the presentation of M.A. Handbook III edition.

On the basis of the convincing argument and its equally powerful expression in the present dissertation, I hereby recommend

that Mr. Maninder Sharma be awarded Ph. D. / D.Phil degree in English literature

Dated 15/05/2021


C. B. Prasad
(Signature of the Examiner)