## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This dissertation was undertaken and completed under the supervision of Dr.Maya Narkar, Reader, Department of English, Shivaji University, Kolhapur. With her critical insights, patient interest. Dr.Narkar was a great source of guidance and keen everv stage of the work. This formal encouragement at acknowledgement is an inadequate expression of my gratitude to her.

Ι wish to deep sense of gratitude express my to Dr.C.J.Jahagirdar, Professor and Head. Department of English, Shivaji University, Kolhapur for his encouragement. To the Principal of Karmveer Hire College, Gargoti, I owe a comprehensive debt as he constantly helped me during the preparation of this dissertation.

I would also thank Rajan Gavas, P.N.Paranjape, Doulatrao Jadhav, Pramod Mhangore, D.S.Moruskar, B.D.Kumbhar, D.V.Kumbhar and G.K.Patil for their kind assistance in the present work. My warm thanks are also due to my wife Hemlata, mother, mother- and father-in-law and Sanju - who always urged me to go ahead with this work.

I must make a grateful mention of the staff of Barr. Khardekar Library, Shivaji University, Kolhapur CIE & FL Hyderabad, R.V.Parulekar Library, Gartori.

If by some mischance I have failed to acknowledge where I should have done so, I hope those concerned will accept my apologies.

Kolhapur. • Arju Date-

Arjun Kumbhar Candidate