

SATSANG SIKSHAN PARIKSHA

Bochasanwasi Shri Aksharpurushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha, Shahibaug, Ahmedabad - 380 004.

SATSANG PRAVESH : PAPER - 1**Sunday, 6 March 2016****Time: 9.00 to 11.15 a.m.****Total Marks: 75****For absent examinees, please return this sheet only.****Please do not damage in any way the 'bar code' printed above.****Compulsory: To be filled by Examinee only****Answer books without the signature of the Class Supervisor will not be considered valid.**
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Education of Examinee

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Signature of Class Supervisor

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For Moderation Dept.	Question No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	1 (9)	
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	5 (4)	
	6 (4)	

Section-1, Total Marks (33)

For Moderation Dept.	Question No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	7 (9)	
	8 (4)	
	9 (5)	
	10 (4)	
	11 (6)	
	12 (4)	

Section-2, Total Marks (32)

For Moderation Dept.	Question No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	13 (10)	

Section-3, Total Marks**મોડરેશન વિભાગ માટે જ**

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Important Instructions For Satsang Exam Students

1. Students can appear for the Satsang Exams from Prarambh to Pragna - 3 after passing each exam.
2. Satsang exam is only valid for use by the candidate identified on the top sheet, and only at the designated center, in the specified medium (Gujarati, Hindi, English) and for the exam level (e.g. Prarambha, Pravesh, Parichay, etc.) indicated. **Any difference will not be allowed and considered as disqualify.**
3. The medium (Gujarati, English, Hindi) and the exam level in which candidates take **the Pre-Test** will be the medium in which they must take the Final Exam. Answer books bearing details of candidates different from the Final List **will not be accepted for marking.**
4. On the day of the Final Satsang Examinations, all examinees should obtain the signature of the class supervisor on the top sheet of answer book bearing their own personal details only. Answer books without the signature of the Class Supervisor will **not** be accepted for marking.
5. Write your answers with either a blue or black pen only. Answers written in pencil, or with a red, green or any other coloured pen will **not be considered valid.** Answers written in more than one coloured ink will not be considered valid.
6. Follow the instructions while answering. Answers crossed out will not be considered valid. Answers will not be considered valid if they are not written in legible handwriting. Please write clearly and legibly. **Answer papers with more than one type of handwriting will not be accepted and considered as disqualify.**
7. Examinations taken at **unauthorized locations** or in which the exam rules have been violated will not be considered valid.
8. Without the prior permission of the Satsang Exam Division in India, answer papers written by substitute writers in place of the original candidate will **not be accepted for marking.**
9. Candidates who wish to change the center at which they will sit the Final Exam **must inform and take prior permission** of the Satsang Exam Division in India. Otherwise their answer sheet **not be accepted for marking.**
10. Candidates who have registered for both papers of Satsang Pragna Exam and candidates sitting the Satsang Pravesh, Parichay and Pravin exams should give both papers. **Presence in only one paper will not be accepted for marking.**
11. **In the Final Examination answers written on extra pages will not be accepted for marking.**
12. Candidates will not be allowed to keep any electronic items, such as, mobile phones, tablets, laptops, etc. in the examination room.
13. **Before filling the Application Form for the Pragna Exam, Please note the following points:**
 - Students according to their choice can appear for both the Question Papers in the same year or appear for the 1st paper in the first and the 2nd paper in the following year for any of the Pragna Exams. **One can only appear for the 2nd Paper after passing the 1st Paper.** Candidates opting to sit only one of the two papers for any of the Pragna examinations must score 45 Marks to pass.
 - Student should make his/her choice while registration. Pragna candidate can choose first paper or Both papers. **Select the first paper if the student wishes to appear for the first paper and if he/she wishes to appear for both papers select both papers.** Candidates who have registered for both papers of Satsang Pragna Exam should give both papers. **Presence in only one paper will considered as disqualify.** Candidates who appear for both papers in the same year must score a combined minimum of 90 Marks to pass.
 - After passing the 1st paper, one can **postpone** appearing for the 2nd paper for a **maximum of 1 Year.**
 - If two students are eligible for a prize then the one who has appeared for **both exams together** will be **rewarded with 10% marks** and thus become a candidate for the prize.
 - **Note : Now all students who have passed the India Pravin Exams can appear for the Pragna - 1 Exam.**
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Pravesh 1

SECTION 1: NILKANTH CHARITRA

Q.1 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (Total Marks: 9)

1. "Brother, who are you? And what do you have in your bag?"

Who is speaking?..... To whom?

When?.....

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3 Marks

2. "When you sit for puja tomorrow, I shall sit by your side."

Who is speaking?..... To whom?

When?

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3 Marks

3. "We have an abundance of cucumbers in our farm."

Who is speaking?..... To whom?

When?

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3 Marks

Total marks for above questions





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Q.2 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 6)

1. 900,000 yogis felt happy.

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2 Marks

2. The priest of Badrinath mandir offered his services to Nilkanth Varni.

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Q.4 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 5)

1. What did the shepherd reply to the villagers of Gorad?

1 Mark

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2. What did Bhagwandas's mother believe?

1 Mark

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3. Which murti is along with which murti in Trivendram?

1 Mark

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4. When did Nilkanth Varni write a letter to Ramanand Swami? (Samvat, Month, Tithi)

1 Mark

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5. How many questions did a Nagar Brahmin ask Nilkanth Varni at Hatkeshwar Mahadev?

1 Mark

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Q.5 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct ones. (Total Marks: 4)

Note: One or more of the options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. Special features of Shripur city:

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Alaknanda flows in the form of a bow.

(2) ☐ Naradji had built the city.

(3) ☐ Favourite place of Mahadevji.

(4) ☐ Vidurji, on being separated from Shri Krishna, had performed austerities.

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2. Nilkanth Varni's intense austerities at Pulhashram:

2 Marks

- (1) ☐ Nar-Narayan Dev appeared in the sky on either side protecting him.
- (2) ☐ Perhaps Brahma himself has come to perform such severe penance.
- (3) ☐ "O God! Please bestow upon us the virtues of jnan and austerities."
- (4) ☐ Brahma's son Pulaha had performed austerities.

Total marks for above questions





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Q.6 Fill in the blanks. (Total Marks: 4)

1. In Laxmanjhula, there is a mandir of on the banks of

1 Mark

2. On the way to, Nilkanth Varni met a sadhu called who had studied the Shrimad Bhagvat.

1 Mark

3. Nilkanth Varni stayed for months with King of Butolnagar.

1 Mark

4. Pibek was a devotee of goddess and used to meditate for the appeasement of

1 Mark

Total marks for above questions





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SECTION 2: SATSANG READER PART 1

Q.7 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (Total Marks: 9)

1. "His boon will bear fruit, without a doubt."

Who is speaking?..... To whom?

When?.....

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3 Marks

2. "Such service inspite of the calamity! No one else could have done this!"

Who is speaking?..... To whom?

When?.....

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3 Marks

3. "How can such a person ever be dear to me?"

Who is speaking?..... To whom?

When?.....

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Total marks for above questions





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Q.8 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 4)

1. Ladudanji spontaneously composed and sang a kirtan: "Dhanya ajni ghadi re..."

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2. Maharaj stayed secretly in Abhel Khachar's darbar.

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Q.9 Write short notes on 'Shukanand from Jagannath' (in 15 lines). (Total Marks: 5)

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Q.10 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 4)

1. For how many years did Shuk Muni suffer from fever? 1 Mark

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2. What did Brahmanand Swami think when Shriji Maharaj refused to take Sanjivani, an elixir? 1 Mark

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3. What would Maharaj say about bhakti? 1 Mark

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4. Which two devotees established satsang in Africa? 1 Mark

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Q.11 Select the SIX correct sentences from below and write them in the correct storysequence in the boxes. (Total Marks: 6)


Topic: Devanand Swami in Muli mandir

1. Devanand Swami's blessings moulded Umashankar into a great poet. 2. His kirtans are full spiritual teachings with an emphasis on devotion. 3. The next day, a Merai devotee saw the kumkum footsteps Devanand Swami had mentioned. 4. Upon hearing Devanand Swami's verses, Nanalal became his disciple. 5. As mahant, he completed construction of Muli mandir. 6. His verses are popularly known as thr 'Examples of Devanand Swami'. 7. Please make a wooden chair to take my body to the funeral pyre. 8. Devanand Swami told a Merai devotee, "I am going to dham tomorrow." 9. Devanand Swami began to learn music and pingal from Premanand Swami. 10. After Brahmanand Swami went to Akshardham, Devanand Swami succeeded him as mahant of Muli mandir. 11. Devanand Swami was born on Kartik Punam, Samvat 1860. 12. He greatly increased the prosperity of Muli mandir.

Note: (1) 3 marks will be awarded in the correct sentence number only if all the six sentence numbers are correct and (2) 3 marks will be awarded only if all the sequence of sentence numbers is correct. Otherwise no marks will be given.

(1) **Write the correct sentence numbers** 3 Marks

(2) **Correct sequence of sentences** 3 Marks

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Q.12 Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading. (Total Marks: 4)

**Note: Marks will be awarded only if a sentence is written completely correct.
Otherwise no marks will be awarded.**

1. **Swami Nirgundasji:** Around this time, Nirgundasji was studying in Vadodara. Swami Keshav Bhagat, one of Sahajanand Swami's foremost disciples resided in nearby Vartal.

Ans.

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2. **Bhaktaraj Jivuba:** Dada Khachar knew of Jivuba's intense bhakti right from when she was a young, yet Jivuba soon married Bawa Patgar, son of Amara Patgar of Sarangpur.

Ans.

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3. **Bhaktaraj Joban Pagi:** Soon thereafter, as Diwali approached, Maharaj came back to Dabhan in order to fulfil Jatan's wish. Maharaj had invited saints from all around to the grand festival.

Ans.

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4. **Sadguru Shukanand Swami:** Also known as Muktamuni, Brahmanand Swami lived in a room opposite Shriji Maharaj's residence, Shriji Ordi. There he spent his time reading and editing scriptures.

Ans.

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1 Mark

Total marks for above questions





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SECTION 3: ESSAY

Q.13 Write an essay on any ONE of the following (in approximately 30 lines). (Total Marks: 10)

1. Immovable foundation in Satsang: Grasping Virtues.
2. Pramukh Swami Maharaj: Ideal of World Peace.
3. Pathway of Yogiji Maharaj: Positive Thinking.

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