

SATSANG SHIKSHAN PARIKSHA

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

SATSANG PRAVESH : PAPER - 1

Sunday, 16 July 2023

Time: 9.00 to 11.15 a.m.

Total Marks: 75



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	6 (6)	

Section-1, Total Marks (33)



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Section-2, Total Marks (32)

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 - **Note : Now all students who have passed the India Pravin Exams can appear for the Pragna - 1 Exam.**
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SECTION 1: NILKANTH CHARITRA

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

1. "Jump on that boy and monkey, and devour them at once."

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

When?.....

3 Marks

2. "When I remember you come immediately."

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

When?

3 Marks

3. "Beg for his pardon if we have made any mistake but bring him back."

Who is speaking? To whom?

When?

3 Marks

Total marks for above questions

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Q.2 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct options. (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. The Mahant of the Sadhus and Shaligram in Manaspur.

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Nilkanth described to them the importance of worshipping Vishnu and Shaligram.

(2) ☐ Was ready to kill Jaisukhdas. (3) ☐ Have to perform Shaligram's proper puja daily.

(4) ☐ All the Shaligrams fell into the Alaknanda river.

2. Nilkanth Varni in Shripur.

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Stayed in the Mahadev mandir. (2) ☐ I am not afraid of death.

(3) ☐ The mahant was worried about Nilkanth's safety. (4) ☐ I shall make you the mahant.

Total marks for above questions

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Q.3 Fill in the blanks. (Total Marks: 4)

1. Ramanand Swami initiated Nilkanth Varni on sud 11 of Samvat

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2. gave darshan in the cradle during arti to celebrate the birth in the ashram of Ramanand Swami on the festival of

1 Mark

3. In Trivandrum, along with seated in a lotus there is the reclining murti of Bhagwan

1 Mark

4. A sadhu should not even harbour a thought which may cause to anyone.

1 Mark

Total marks for above questions

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Q.4 Write short notes on any ONE of the following (in 15 lines). (Total Marks: 5)

1. Cling to the pillar.
2. Nilkanth at the House of Jairamdas.
3. At the Palace of King Mahadatt.

Total marks for above questions

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

1. What did Nilkanth say to Sevakram while comforting him?

1 Mark

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2. Where at Pulhashram did Nilkanth Varni began to perform austerities?

1 Mark

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3. How a Tyagi should be detached like?

1 Mark

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4. Which sanniyasi was the successor of the gadi of Ramanujacharya?

1 Mark

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5. How and to where did the pujari of Badrinath bring Nilkanth Varni?

1 Mark

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Total marks for above questions





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

1. A new chapter unfolded in the life of Sahajanand Swami.

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2 Marks

2. Ramanand Swami left Atmanand Swami.

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2 Marks

3. The jamadar was bewildered.

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2 Marks

Total marks for above questions





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To be filled by Moderation Dept.	Q. 7 Marks: 9	Name	Q. 8 Marks: 6	Name
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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. "They are pleased by the building of Akshar-Purushottam mandirs."

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

When?.....

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3 Marks

2. "Such service in spite of the calamity!"

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

When?.....

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3 Marks

3. "It is not wise to offer bhakti with stubbornness."

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

When?.....

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3 Marks

Total marks for above questions





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Q.8 Select the SIX correct sentences from below and write them in the correct story sequence in the boxes. (Total Marks: 6)

Topic: Jagannath Becomes Shukanand.

1. As a servant, he often had to face Maharaj's test of faith. 2. He served as Swami's secretary, writing and responding to his letters. 3. Somla Khachar told Maharaj, The Brahmin from Dabhan wants to become a sadhu. 4. Maharaj dictated a letter and cancelled it late into the morning. 5. Jagannath, a Brahmin originally from Nadiad had settled in Dabhan. 6. Maharaj lit the room with a beam of light from the big toe of his left foot and finished the letter. 7. Maharaj also ran towards him and welcomed him with an embrace. 8. Maharaj broke Shukmuni's fast with shiro. 9. Paramhansas were studying in Dabhan under a learned scholar. 10. Shukanand Swami went straight to Akshar ordi and prostrated before Maharaj. 11. Everybody followed Maharaj as he took the road to Lakshmi Vadi. 12. Renounced home and left for Gadhada.

- (1) Write the correct sentence numbers

3 Marks

- (2) Correct sequence of sentences

3 Marks

Note: (1) 3 marks will be awarded for the correct sentence numbers only if ALL THE SIX sentence numbers are correct and (2) 3 marks will be awarded only if all the sequence of sentence numbers are correct. Otherwise no marks will be given.

Total marks for above questions





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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. What did Nirgun Swami pray to Shastriji Maharaj at the time of his illness in Mumbai? 1 Mark

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2. What did Shastriji Maharaj remark after seeing the damage in Purushottampura? 1 Mark

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3. Which two vows did Jivuba follow strictly? 1 Mark

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4. Which help would have made Maharaj pleased more? 1 Mark

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Total marks for above questions   Write only this mark on main page

Q.11 Rewrite the incorrect words shown below in relation to the sentence heading.
(Total Marks: 4)

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

1. **Sadguru Brahmanand Swami:** At Kothari's command, he once went to Junagadh to carry on further studies of Hindi. There, he studied in the ashram of Rangacharya, a profound scholar of Sanskrit and an adherent of the Vedant philosophy.

Ans.

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1 Mark

2. **Swami Yagnapriyadasji:** Ishwarbhai's mind was pierced by Swamishri's commanding words. He felt his problems being removed before his very face.

Ans.

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1 Mark

3. **Bhaktaraj Jivuba:** Seated in a cart, Jivuba was once coming from Botad to Sarangpur. On her way, soon after she had left Botad, she saw a devotee seated beneath a roof. She sent her cart rider to find out what was wrong with the devotee.

Ans.

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1 Mark

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4. **Bhaktaraj Joban Pagi:** Isn't it a miracle enough that you're standing here preaching to other? I was a most-wanted policeman, yet Swami has made a devotee out of me. He's put a tilak around my forehead and a mala in my hand.

Ans.

1 Mark

Total marks for above questions





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Q.12 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 4)

1. Jhinabhai didn't read any of the letters which came from home.

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2 Marks

2. Maharaj used to send Brahmanand Swami to build the mandirs.

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2 Marks

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. Enlightening the Hearts: Param Pujya Pramukh Swami Maharaj.
 2. Contemplation on the Vachanamrut: Naradji and Jealousy. 3. Navsari: From the Eye of History.

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