502/268 BOCHASANWASI SHRI AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA

SATSANG EXAMINATIONS (PRE-TEST: 15 JUNE 2014)

	BAPS E: 2:00 TO 4:15 P.M. SATSANG PARICHAY 2	
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	SECTION 1: KISHORE SATSANG PARICHAY - 4 th Edition, January 2010	
Q.1	 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. 1. "We have renounced and suffered for the sake of Akshar Purushottam." (34) 2. "This amount of foodstuff will not be enough." (52) 3. "Oh dear! Please do not beat our sadhus." (80) 	(9)
Q.2	 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). 1. The snake became quiet and started looking at the minister's son. (16) 2. Sundarji Suthar was initiated into a sadhufold. (65) 3. Shriji Maharaj introduced the child Natha to Ramanujanand Swami and junior Gopalanar 	(6) nd Swami. (41)
Q.3	Write short notes on 'Murti Puja'. (13-14) (In 15 lines.)	(5)
Q.4	 Answer <u>ALL</u> of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer 1. Who and where was Swarupanand Swami put into samadhi? (96) 2. Who did Shriji Maharaj appoint as the mahant of Vartal mandir? (83) 3. What happens when one betrays the trust of others? (6) 4. How long after the promise given to Kashidas was the Bochasan mandir built? (31) 5. Who was Himraj Shah? (54) 	er. (5)
Q.5	"Kalyan no khap" (87-89) - Complete the Swamini Vato and narrate it.	(5)
Q.6	 Complete the following. 1. Jarkasiyo jamo mare bhavta re. (87) 2. Asan sadhi matade jamni. (68) 3. Nirmanmoha padamavyayam tat. (103) 4. Translate the shloka: Vidhi sambhu bhaje sada. (39) 	(8)
SECTION 2: PRAGJI BHAKTA - 4 th Edition, September 2009		
Q.7	 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. 1. "You have made me fulfilled." (20-21) 2. "I have studied everything." (1) 3. "You swallowed all the nectar offered by Swami." (61) 	(9)
Q.8	 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). 1. Ganpatbhai left for Bharuch from Mahuva by boat. (55) 2. The bodyguard in Petlad told the saints to follow Bhagatji wherever he leads. (41) 3. Bhagatji Maharaj spoke about "God's happiness" to Acharya Maharaj. (56) 	(6)
Q.9	Write short notes on 'Art of Saintliness.' (17-18) (In 15 lines.)	(5)
Q.10	 O Answer <u>ALL</u> of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer 1. In Khambhada, what and for whom did Swami ask the attendant to bring? (7) 2. On the way to Una, what did Pragji Bhakta request Gunatitanand Swami? (30) 3. What promise did Bhagatji make to the Diwan of Vansda? (49) 4. Whose commands did Bhagatji Maharaj instruct the sadhus to follow? (45) 5. In which river did the devotees of Mahuva walk with Bhagatji? (66) 	er. (5) [P.T.O.]
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Q.11 From the given options, place a tick (\checkmark) in the box next to the correct ones.

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. Bhagatji's definition of a Guru. (63)
 - (1) One who removes darkness from the heart.
 - (2) One who is pure within and without.
 - (3) One on seeing whom the mind is not deviated and who makes us steadfast.
 - (4) One who removes all doshas from his disciples and purifies them.
- 2. Those who want to realize ekantik dharma. (51)
 - (1) Must observe celibacy rigorously.
 - (2) Do dharna-parna.
 - (3) Remember God incessantly.
 - (4) Meditate forgetting everything else.
- 3. Do or Die for the Guru. (10)
 - (1) Pragji Bhakta laboured hard to help dig the foundation of the mandir.
 - (2) Pragji undertook the difficult work of washing the sand and pouring it into the foundation all by himself.
 - (3) He mixed water and lime in a pit and pounded it into mortar with his bare feet.
 - (4) Pragji worked for five consecutive days to prepare the furnace with lime.

Q.12 Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading.

- Note: Marks will be awarded only if a sentence is written completely correct. Otherwise no marks will be awarded.
- **Example: Grand Reception at Junagadh:** A devotee of Junagadh, Acharya Jatashankar, asked his student, Manilal Bhatt, "Why is Jaga Bhakta, a cobbler, sits on a raised seat and the acharya prostrates to him?"
- Ans. Grand Reception at Junagadh: A <u>Nagar</u> devotee named <u>Dr. Umiyashankar</u> once asked his <u>guru, Balmukunddasji</u>, "How is it that <u>Pragji Bhakta</u>, <u>a tailor</u>, sits on <u>a cot</u> and the <u>sadhus</u> prostrate to him?"
- 1. Request for Akshar Jnan: "Please bless me with your gadi, show me your dwelling place and make me a true sadhu." (10)
- 2. Bhagatji's Magnetic Personality: Savitaba, the wife of Rao Saheb of Vadodara, saw Bhagatji along with Shriji Maharaj for seven successive days during samadhi. (53)
- **3. Manifestation through Pragji Bhagat:** "I have spent forty years, eight months and four days in this place. Now I shall move around in satsang, visiting the devotees and shall stay at Gondal." (34)
- 4. Excommunicated: Acharya Maharaj remarked, "Pragji has been excommunicated but not his vegetables and pulses. Accept his foodstuff." (33)
- 5. Key to Akshardham lies with Pragji: Shamji has become the main at Gadhada and parshad has merged his personality into Shamji and is at his command. (24)
- 6. Meeting Sadguru Gopalanand Swami: After learning the craft of tailoring in Bhavnagar, Pragji Bhakta prepared a beautiful coat and a hat for Acharya Maharaj. (5)

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