401/3	BOCHASANWASI SHRI AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA
	SATSANG EXAMINATIONS (PRE-TEST: 15 JUNE 2014)
ТІМЕ	BAPS :: 9:00 TO 11:15 A.M. SATSANG PRAVESH 1
(Note	e: Figures after the question indicate the page number of the answer.) (TOTAL MARKS: 75)
	SECTION 1: NILKANTH CHARITRA - 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition, December 2010
Q.1	In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (9)
	<ol> <li>"Let us write a letter to him." (103)</li> <li>"You stayed with us all these days and blessed us with the knowledge of your divinity and</li> </ol>
	now suddenly where are you going?" (29)
	3. "You have been hungry for so many days, so we have brought you sathvo." (65)
Q.2	Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (6)
	<ol> <li>Nilkanth plunged into the turbulent waters of a valley between Dhavalgiri and Shyamgiri mountains. (23)</li> <li>The ascetics began to pray to Nilkanth. (9)</li> </ol>
	3. Ramanand Swami started preaching the worship of Shri Krishna. (82)
Q.3	Write short notes on any $ONE$ of the following. (In 15 lines.) (5)
	<ol> <li>Redemption of Jambuvan (44-46)</li> <li>On the way to Badrinath (10)</li> </ol>
	3. Destruction of ghosts and deliverance of Yogis (20-22)
Q.4	Answer <u>ALL</u> of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (5)
	<ol> <li>What did the nine hundred thousand yogis do every morning? (38)</li> <li>Where and when did Ramanand Swami go to Dham? (117) (Samvat, Tithi)</li> </ol>
	3. What were the names of the Princesses of Vanshipur? (17)
	4. In which direction did Jairam meet Nilkanth Varni? (48)
0 F	5. Who was operating a kosh on the outskirts of Gorad Village? (73)
Q.5	From the given options, place a tick ( $\checkmark$ ) in the box next to the correct ones. (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. Uplift of 900,000 Yogis (38)
	<ul> <li>(1) Nilkanth stayed for 3 days with the yogis</li> <li>(2) "Please do not leave me."</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(2) ""         "Please do not leave me."</li> <li>(3) Nilkanth stayed two days with the yogis</li> </ul>
	(4) "May your murti never disappear from our hearts."
	2. Letter to Ramanand Swami (103)
	(1) Falgun vad 5, Samvat 1857
	<ul> <li>(2) Lalji Suthar prostrated to Ramanand Swami.</li> <li>(3) Falgun vad 5, Samvat 1856</li> </ul>
	(4) Mayaram Bhatt prostrated to Ramanand Swami.
Q.6	Fill in the blanks. (4)
	1. Nilkanth Varni knew that had prepared the ground for him. (93)
	<ol> <li>The householder bawa had a son and daughters. (43)</li> <li>Tungbhadra river curves like a so this place is known as</li></ol>
	4. Jairamdas's mother gave him some and to search for Nilkanth. (48)
	SECTION 2: SATSANG READER PART 1 - 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition, April 2011.
Q.7	In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (9)
	<ol> <li>"The Brahmin from Dabhan wants to become a sadhu." (24)</li> <li>"He wished that he may be blessed" (36)</li> </ol>
	3. "How could I ever let such an opportunity pass?" (76)
Q.8	Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (4)
	1. Dada Khachar lit a wood fire and brought it before Maharaj. (26)
09	<ul> <li>2. Jobanpagi went to Dabhan. (42)</li> <li>Write short notes on 'Nirgundas Swami's involvement in devotees' (62-63) (In 15 lines.) (5)</li> </ul>
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Signature of Examinee:

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## Q.10 Answer $\underline{ALL}$ of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer.

- 1. What did the Nawab feel towards Jhinabhai? (31)
- 2. What did the king of Shirohi think? (1)
- 3. Where is Sankaleshwar Mahadev situated? (17)
- 4. Devanand Swami was the mahant of which mandir? (19)

# Q.11 Select the <u>SIX</u> correct sentences from below and write them in the correct story sequence in the boxes.

#### **Topic: Jivuba's Devotion (49)**

"Bapu, it is our guru, Sahajanand Swami." 2. God began drinking the water Jivuba was offering. 3. "My dear child, who is this that you worship?" 4. Upon returning to his senses Abhel Khachar fell at the feet of God. 5. His bowl fell to the ground. 6. "Set aside this sham." 7. "People say a devta roams the darbar, who is he?" 8. "If you worship him with a full understanding of his greatness, you too will win him over."
 9. God came forth from the murti, giving darshan as Krishna Bhagwan. 10. The room was filled with a pleasant scent. 11. "Who drank the milk you were offering?" 12. Laduba had cleared Abhel Khachar's doubts.

- (1) Write the correct sentence numbers are correct and (2) 3 marks will be awarded only if the whole sequence of sentence numbers is correct. Otherwise no marks will be
- (2) of sentences given.

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

- (4)
- Note: Marks will be awarded only if a sentence is written completely correct. Otherwise no marks will be awarded.
- **Example: Swami Yagnapriyadasji:** While wandering on the farm, Motibhai's son, Jethabhai, was bit by a scorpion and went to Dham. Then he came with Shriji Maharaj and bid "Narayan" to Motibhai.
- Ans. Swami Yagnapriyadasji: Once, while working in the pasture, Ashabhai's son, Desaibhai, was bit by a snake and Desai soon passed away. Then he came with Bhagatji Maharaj and said "Jai Swaminarayan" to Ashabhai.
- 1. Sadguru Devanand Swami: Born in Barvala near Pahelarpur on Magsar vad Amas, Samvat 1759. (17)
- **2. Bhaktaraj Joban Pagi:** "Hey, Sagram! What have you seen in the sadhu that drives you to walk around proudly with such an obnoxious tilak on your forehead?" (47)
- 3. Bhaktaraj Jhinahbhai Darbar: Seeing that it was Jhinabhai's deep desire, Shriji Maharaj decided to celebrate the Vasant Panchami festival in Samvat 1879 in Sarangpur with great festivity and joy. (34)
- **4. Sadguru Brahmanand Swami:** Ladudanji stopped in the town of Dhamadka in Kutch to learn science and philosophy from the renowned pandit Bhattacharya. (2)

#### **SECTION 3: ESSAY**

### Q.13 Write an essay on any <u>ONE</u> of the following. (In approximately 30 lines.)

- Great educational and spiritual personality: Shri Vinayakrao Trivedi. (Swaminarayan Prakash (Gujarati), October 2013, pp. 28-32, 27)
- 2. The Sadhu is my heart and I am the Sadhu's heart. (Swaminarayan Prakash (Gujarati), December 2013, pp. 6-7)
- 3. Shastriji Maharaj Spreads True Upasana While Maintaining Respect for Parampara.
  - (Swaminarayan Prakash (Gujarati), February 2014, pp. 28-30)

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