

SATSANG SHIKSHAN PARIKSHA

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

SATSANG PRAVIN : PAPER - 1

Sunday, 16 July 2023

Time: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

Total Marks: 100



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Section-1, Total Marks (47)

Compulsory: To be filled by Examinee only

Answer books without the signature of the Class Supervisor will not be considered valid.

Birthdate of Examinee

Education of Examinee

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Section-2, Total Marks (38)

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Important Instructions For Satsang Exam Students

1. Students can appear for the Satsang Exams from Prarambha 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 be 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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1. “Mota Atmanand Swami realizes true knowledge of upasana and Maharaj’s supremacy.”
2. “Disregarding my orders, why did you come here?”
3. “Even if I am made to wear black clothes, I shall still say that Swami is Akshar.”

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Pravin-First/1

Q.2 For any TWO of the following, give THREE references from the scriptures.

(It is compulsory to write the reference scripture and number.) (Total Marks: 6)

1. Deficiencies resulting from not realizing the pragat form of God: As per Vachanamrut and Swamini Vato.
2. Origin of the understanding of God as Nirakar.
3. Meaning of Pragat? How?

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Q.6 Explain any TWO of the following, giving reasons. (In 12 lines each.) (Total Marks: 8)

1. Swarupanand Swami engaged with the pragat form of Shriji Maharaj.
2. Apart from Akshardham, all other abodes are perishable.
3. To realize all of God's actions and incidents as redemptive is the very dharma of a devotee.

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Q.7 Complete the following statements based on summary. (Total Marks: 7)
(What to understand in upasana?)

1. Although Aksharbrahman is essentially
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..... and supports them. 1 Mark

2. The chaitanyas of
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..... from each other. 1 Mark

3. While remaining present in
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..... and is their support. 1 Mark

4. Parabrahman Purushottam Narayan
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..... and a chaintanya entity. 1 Mark

(What not to understand in Upasana?)

5. The atma of a
..... like Aksharbrahman. 1 Mark

6. Shriji Maharaj - Purushottam
..... acharyas or devotees. 1 Mark

7. Articles such as the
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..... cannot be called Aksharbrahman. 1 Mark

Total marks for above questions



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**SECTION 2: SATSANG READER PART III &
PORTRAIT OF INSPIRATION – PRAMUKH SWAMI MAHARAJ**

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

1. "Let me suffer till Maharaj desires it to be so."

Who is speaking? To Whom?

When?

..... 3 Marks

2. "As long as this session lasts, Gunatitanand Swami will deliver discourses."

Who is speaking?..... To Whom?.....

When?.....

..... 3 Marks

3. "Don't shout. You'll wake everyone up."

Who is speaking?..... To Whom?

When?

..... 3 Marks

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: 5)

1. Who was known as the "Mother of Satsang"?

1 Mark

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2. What request did Kushalkunvarba make to Maharaj for the sadhus?

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3. Which wonder did Parvatbhai have while ploughing the farm?

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4. What does Chinna Jeer Swami see in Swamishri?

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5. What does Bhagwan Shri Krishna state about a true Sadhu in Shrimad Bhagwat?

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Total marks for above questions



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Q.11 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct options. (Total Marks: 8)

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

1. With what Lalji Bhakta equipped himself while travelling to Kutch with Maharaj?

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Food

(2) ☐ Clothes

(3) ☐ Medicines

(4) ☐ Money

2. Name of the Darbar from Mengani.

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Sura Khachar

(2) ☐ Jiva Khachar

(3) ☐ Dada Khachar

(4) ☐ Manbha

3. 51st Birthday celebration of Pramukh Swami Maharaj.

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Anand

(2) ☐ Using a brush

(3) ☐ Collected the used datan sticks.

(4) ☐ Maharashtra

4. How can world peace be possible?

2 Marks

(1) ☐ Follows dharma

(2) ☐ Do panchag pranam to the parents.

(3) ☐ Do one extra prostration everyday.

(4) ☐ Develop mutual tolerance.

Total marks for above questions





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Q.13 Answer the following concisely. (12 lines each.) (Total Marks: 8)

1. Parvatbhai, a satsangi of satsangis. **OR**
2. Muktanand Swami gradually understood the divine glory of Shriji Maharaj.

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3. The experience of nirvikalp samadhi – Pramukh Swami. **OR**
4. The Satpurush has no language barrier.

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