

SATSANG SHIKSHAN PARIKSHA

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

SATSANG PRAGNA - 3 : PAPER - 2

Sunday, 5 March 2017

Time: 2 to 5 p.m.

Total Marks: 100



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For Moderation Dept.	Que. No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	1 (8)	
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	5 (10)	

Section-1, Total Marks (40)

For Moderation Dept.	Que. No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	6 (12)	
	7 (8)	
	8 (12)	
	9 (8)	

Section-2, Total Marks (40)

For Moderation Dept.	Que. No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	10 (5)	
	11 (6)	
	12 (3)	
	13 (6)	

Section-3, Total Marks (20)

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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.
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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.**
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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.**
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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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Pragna-3-2

SECTION 1: ROYAL PATH OF BRAHMANVIDYA

Q.1 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct ones. (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. Steps outlined by Pramukh Swami Maharaj to maintain samp (unity).

2 Marks

- (1) ☐ Tolerate.
- (2) ☐ Eradicate swabhavs.
- (3) ☐ Should not adjust to others.
- (4) ☐ Give up wishes.

2. Benefits of observing dharma.

2 Marks

- (1) ☐ Earn the rajipo of God and his devotees.
- (2) ☐ Overcome the sense pleasures, eradicate innate base natures.
- (3) ☐ Protects in many ways.
- (4) ☐ Attain true greatness.

3. Sadhana is not for the attainment of Parabrahman but to gain his rajipo.

2 Marks

- (1) ☐ You do not need to know anyone once you have known Shrikrishna.
- (2) ☐ He has attained the highest state of enlightenment, or liberation, while being alive.
- (3) ☐ Unfavourable the person's problems may be, they are all destroyed.
- (4) ☐ We have attained Yogiji Maharaj, and this encompasses everything.

4. The significance and necessity of swadharmanishtha.

2 Mark

- (1) ☐ Observance of the dharma of one's caste and ashram on its own may bring worldly reputation in trilok.
- (2) ☐ Is known as having complete satsang.
- (3) ☐ Only he is worthy of respect in satsang.
- (4) ☐ Does not falter from the true path.

Total marks for above questions





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Q.2 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 6)

1. What does Shriji Maharaj guess about someone who is lazy in listening to spiritual talks?

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2. In which two ways can one associate with the satpurush through deeds?

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3. What is the most distinctive attribute of the Swaminarayan way of life?

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4. What does seva bhakti mean?

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5. In the Upanishads, what is the spiritual path compared to?

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6. What will happen if a person associates with Kuda-panthis?

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Total marks for above questions





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Q.3 Give the topic heading of the reference. (Total Marks: 6)

1. "The pleasures of the vishays are nothing but the embodiment of misery."

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2. "Even more special is that he brought Aksharbrahman incarnate, Gunatitanand Swami, along with him."

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3. "Remain unaffected by kal, karma and maya."

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4. "This fact is true, and no one should doubt it."

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5. "One who remains as a servant of a servant is not hindered by obstacles."

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6. "One does not become attached since through detachment everything is seen as perishable."

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Total marks for above questions





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Q.4 Write concisely on the following. (In 15 lines.) (Total Marks: 10)

1. To spite and perceive negative habits and traits in sadhus and devotees.
2. Satatya in jnan and vairagya.

OR

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5 Marks

Q.5 Write detailed notes on any ONE of the following topics. (In 25-30 lines.) (Total Marks: 10)

1. Need for the Gunatit Satpurush.
2. Singnificance of Jnan: In the form of atmanishtha.

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**Q.8 Describe any THREE of the following incidents and give your thoughts.
(Write incidents in eight lines and thoughts in four lines.) (Total Marks: 12)**

1. He who is sitting here is manifest Akshar.
2. Confluence of the Ganga and the ocean in Mahelav.
3. Ashram of atma is Brahman.
4. 'Vomiting will stop and will have a son also.'
5. Supreme temple of Junagadh.

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SECTION 3: SANATAN DHARMA ABHIGAM

Q.10 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 5)

- Why can one not see the past and future? 1 Mark
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- What is the main reason for no animal yagna during the pure Samhita period? 1 Mark
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- What are the similarities between human beings and animals? 1 Mark
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- What does any religion not permit? 1 Mark
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- What does Charvak say? 1 Mark
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