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SATSANG EXAMINATIONS

PRE-TEST: SATSANG PARICHAY : PAPER - 2

JANUARY 2016 **Time: 2.00 to 4.15 pm** **Total Marks: 75**

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SECTION 1: KISHORE SATSANG PARICHAY - 4th Edition, January 2010

Q.1. In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. [9]

1. "If not, we will meet you in Dham."

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

   When? .....

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2. "Why are you crying so bitterly?"
3. "How much affection does such a devotee have for God?"

Q.2. Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). [6]

1. Sundarjibhai felt a little vain.

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2. God himself remains manifest in the murti.
3. Gordhanbhai was in a unique spiritual state.

Q. 3. Write short notes on 'Mota Rambai' **(In 15 lines). [5]**

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Q.4. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. [5]

1. Why did the minister's son become impatient?

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2. Who was Jagjivan intensely jealous of?
3. When and which murtis were consecreted in Bochasan? (Samvat, Month, Tithi)
4. Whom should one not slander or vilify nor listen to such talks?
5. What did Shriji Maharaj do on seeing the faith of Vishnudas and Swarupanand Swami?

Q.5. "Hiro koi rite....." **- Complete the Swamini Vato and narrate it. [5]**

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Q.6. Complete the following. [8]

1. Sambhal saiyar .....

   ..... jivan ba're.
2. Te mantra jena ..... samaro sadaye.
3. Bhav-sambhav ..... bhaje sada.
4. Translate the shlok: Dharmo gneya ..... bhaktishcha Madhave.

SECTION 2: PRAGJI BHAKTA - 4th Edition, September 2009

Q.7. In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. [9]

1. "Remember God while performing your worldly duties."

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

   When? .....

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2. "On the contrary he wins them over to the Swaminarayan fold by explaining to them the divine greatness of Bhagwan Swaminarayan."
3. "That is why I have been staring at you."

Q.8. Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). [6]

1. Pragji Bhakta felt like staying in the company of Gunatitanand Swami at Junagadh.

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2. "Its foundation run deep down."
3. Yagnapurushdasji mentally accepted Bhagatji as his guru.

Q.9. Write short notes on any <u>ONE</u> of the following. (In 15 lines.) [5]

1. Removed the dead dog. 2. Realization.

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Q.10. Answer <u>ALL</u> of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. [5]

1. What did Vagha Khachar tell Swami when he arrived at Sarangpur?

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2. In Petlad, what did Bhagatji say to the bodyguard about the sadhus?
3. How much sweets did Pragji Bhakta eat?
4. What did some say to Pragji Bhakta, while he was preparing the lime mortar?
5. What did Gopalanand Swami reply to the devotees of Vadodara in his last days?

Q.11. From the given options, place a tick (✔) in the box next to the correct ones. [6]

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. Grand reception at Junagadh:
   (1) ☐ The sadhus prostrate to him?
   (2) ☐ On the occasion of the Jaljilani festival.
   (3) ☐ The sadhus perform his pujan?
   (4) ☐ Swallowed all the nectar.
2. One who has attained the art of saintliness:
   (1) ☐ Is never separated from God.
   (2) ☐ Becomes capable of helping countless people to overcome their sorrows.
   (3) ☐ To overcome the pleasures of the five senses.
   (4) ☐ Leads countless people in himself.
3. Introduction of Pragji Bhakta by Gopalanand Swami in Pithvadi:
   (1) ☐ He is an eternal devotee.
   (2) ☐ He is very great.
   (3) ☐ He will inspire thousands of people to worship God.
   (4) ☐ He will be a great devotee.

Q.12. Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading. [6]

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

Example: Grand reception at Junagadh: An Amin devotee named Acharya Jatashankar once asked his student, Manilal Bhatt, "How is it that Jaga Bhakta, a cobbler, sits on a raised seat and the Acharya prostrates to him?

Ans. Grand reception at Junagadh: A **Nagar** devotee named **Dr. Umiyashankar** once asked his **guru, Balmukunddasji**, "How is it that **Pragji Bhakta, a tailor,** sits on a **cot** and the **sadhus** prostrates to him?"

1. **Recipient Worthy of Akshar Jnan:** Once, as he was unable to reach Gadhada for a festival, Jaga Bhakta came to Kariyani in search of Shriji Maharaj. At that time Maharaj was at the nearby village of Kundal.

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2. **Akshar Jnan Proclaimed:** Once, Shastriji Maharaj talked about the divine qualities of Swami to Kothari Jibahi of Vartal mandir.
3. **The Last Phase:** Dungarji's condition became critical from the evening of Posh vad 14, V.S. 1858 and suddenly he started speaking, "Take me to Junagadh."
4. **Bananas on a Cactus:** He is yet to be praised. He is an eternal devotee. You would not have been able to concentrate like this.
5. **The Path of Thorns:** Jaga Bhakta replied with a smile, "Swami tomorrow even if Raghuvirji Maharaj wishes, he cannot travel you."
6. **Manifestation Through Pragji Bhagat:** Then he entrusted certain ashram duties to Pragji Bhakta and other trusted parshads and left to tour the villages.

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