

Friday, 16 May 2003

# **Sanskrit – Intermediate Level**

## **Paper 2A**

Time: 1 hour and 30 minutes

### Instructions to Candidates

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Answer ALL questions.

Write your answers in the Answer Book provided.

### Information for Candidates

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The marks for the various parts of questions are shown in round brackets: e.g. (2).

You are reminded of the importance of accurate spelling, punctuation, grammar and orderly presentation in your answers. A total of five marks will be awarded for correct spelling of Sanskrit words in transliteration and Devanāgarī.

The paper has three questions.

*Turn over*

**Answer all THREE questions.**

**1 .** Translate the following sentences into Sanskrit using Devanāgarī script. Sandhi should not be used. Four marks will be given for correct word order.

(a) You will become a wise teacher. (3)

(b) Mother, go to father! (3)

(c) The books are being read by the ladies. (3)

(d) I said she comes from the city of the sages. (6)

**(19 marks)**

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**2 .** Rewrite the following lines using sandhi. Do not translate.

सिंहेन उक्तम् न कदा चित् एवम् उचितम् । अथ  
चित्रकर्णः अपि जातविश्वासः तथा एव आत्मदानम्  
आह । तत् वदन् एव असौ व्याघ्रेण व्यापादितः ॥

**(11 marks)**

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### Sanskrit Epic Civilization Questions

3. Answer all questions.

- (a) Give the Sanskrit words for the three *guṇa*, or qualities, and give a brief explanation in English of each. (6)
- (b) What are *saṅkalpa* and *vikalpa* ? (2)
- (c) Briefly explain the following terms:
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| (i) <i>ahaṅkāra</i> | (iv) <i>indra</i>   |
| (ii) <i>prakṛti</i> | (v) <i>avatāra</i>  |
| (iii) <i>vyāsa</i>  | (vi) <i>pralaya</i> |
- (d) *Sañcita* is the name of the store of *saṁskāra* that each human being is born with. Give the Sanskrit names for the other two aspects of *saṁskāra*, explaining each. (6)
- (e) One of the five great elements is space (*ākāśa*), which has the property of sound. Name the other four great elements in Sanskrit, giving their respective properties in English. (8)
- (f) The following are terms relating to Sanskrit literature. Say a few words about each:
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| (i) <i>veda</i>       | (iv) <i>sūtra</i>  |
| (ii) <i>brāhmaṇa</i>  | (v) <i>vedāṅga</i> |
| (iii) <i>upaniṣad</i> | (vi) <i>purāṇa</i> |
- (g) Name in Sanskrit the respective consorts of Śiva, Viṣṇu and Brahmā. (3)
- (h) Choose three characters from the *Mahābhārata* and say a little about the role played by each in the epic. (9)
- (i) Give the Sanskrit for two virtues given by Manu or Kṛṣṇa. Say what they mean in English. (2)

(60 marks)

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