

Friday, 12 May 2006

Sanskrit – Intermediate Level

Paper 2A

Time: 1 hour and 30 minutes

Instructions to Candidates

Answer ALL questions.

Write your answers in the Answer Book provided.

Information for Candidates

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 six marks will be awarded for correct spelling of Sanskrit words in transliteration and Devanāgarī.

This 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) They will eat the fruits of the tree. (3)

(b) Speak the truth everywhere. (3)

(c) The deer are being pursued by the lions. (3)

(d) I remember that in the forest the large monkey cried out. (6)

(19 marks)

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

पक्षिभिः उक्तम् । अस्माकम् भूमौ चरन् अस्माकम्
स्वामिनम् अधिक्षिपसि तत् न क्षन्तव्यम् इदानीम् ।
इति उक्त्वा ते सर्वे सक्रोधाः ऊचुः । पश्य मूर्ख तव
राजा सर्वथा मृदुः । तस्य राज्ये अधिकारः एव न
अस्ति ॥

(11 marks)

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3. Answer all questions.

- (a) *Sañcita* is the store of *saṃskāra*. Give the Sanskrit names of the other two aspects of *saṃskāra*, and briefly describe each. (4)
- (b) *Manas*, *buddhi*, *citta* and *ahaṅkāra* are aspects of the inner organ of mind. Define in English these four Sanskrit terms. (4)
- (c) One of the *karmendriyas* is speaking, which works through the mouth. Name in English the four other *karmendriyas*, and say what they work through. (8)
- (d) What are *vyāṣṭi* and *samaṣṭi*? (2)
- (e) Briefly explain the following terms:
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| (i) <i>śruti</i> | (iv) <i>vyākaraṇa</i> |
| (ii) <i>purāṇa</i> | (v) <i>vedānta</i> |
| (iii) <i>bhāṣya</i> | (vi) <i>dharma</i> |
- (12)
- (f) The *śakti* of *śiva* is *pārvatī*, the force of law. Name the two other gods that make up the supreme trinity, and also name their consorts and the respective forces they embody. (6)
- (g) Say a little about each of the following:
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| (i) <i>yama</i> | (iv) <i>avatāra</i> |
| (ii) <i>indra</i> | (v) <i>gandharva</i> |
| (iii) <i>deva</i> | (vi) <i>apsaras</i> |
- (12)
- (h) The first of the *varṇa*, or 'castes', of men is the *brāhmaṇa*, the priest or teacher. Name in Sanskrit the three other *varṇa* and briefly describe each. (6)
- (i) Choose two characters from the *Rāmāyaṇa* and give a short account of the role played by each in the text. (6)

(60 marks)

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