

2017

PALI PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 Hours

If the questions attempted are in excess of the prescribed number, only the questions attempted first up to the prescribed number shall be valued and the remaining ones ignored.

Full Marks : 200

Candidates may use Devanagari or Roman or Bengali script in their answers, quotations or expressions in Pali.

GROUP-A

1. State and illustrate Grassmann's Law.
2. Give the general characteristics of Pali. 12
3. Explain any three of the following phonetic tendencies in Pali with suitable examples : 20
 - a) Mutual Assimilation, b) Apocope, c) Epenthesis,
 - d) Metathesis, e) Treatment of Sanskrit sibilants in Pali.

GROUP-B

4. What is Sandhi ? Write a note on the different modes of Sandhi with suitable examples, in Pali. 6x3
5. Explain the formation of Gerund in Pali with suitable examples. 18
6. a) Decline either 'bhikkhu' or 'amha' in the Accusative and instrumental forms in both numbers. 12

b) Conjugate either 'Vgam' or 'Vda' in the Pañcamī. 4

c) Make simple sentences, using any three of the following words, in Pali :

verena, nāma, aho, tumhesu, karoti, khāditum 4

GROUP-C

4x3

7. Translate into English either of the following verses adding grammatical notes on the underlined word :
 - a) Lohite sussamānamhi, pittam semhañ-ca sussati, mampsesu khīyamānesu, bhiyyo eittam pasēdati, bhiyyo sati ca paññā ca samādhi mama titthati.
 - b) Anupavādo anupaghāto pātimokhe ca samvaro mattaññutā ca bhattasmīm pantam ca sayanāsanam adhicitte ca āyogo, etam Buddhanā-sāsanam.
8. Translate into English either of the following prose extracts adding grammatical note on the underlined word :
 - a) Ekam Samayam Bhagavā Bāraṇasiyam viharati Isipatane Migadāye. Tatra Kho Bhagavā Pañcavaggiye bhikkhū āmantesi : Dve'me, bhikkhave, antā pabbajjitenā na sevitabbā.
 - b) Bhagavā āyasmata Āngulimālena pacchā-samanena yena Sāvatthi tena cārikam pakkāmi, anupubbena Cārikam caramāno yena Savatthitad-avasari. Tatra sudam Bhagavā Sāvatthiyam viharati Jetavane Anāthapindikassa ākame.

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9. Translate into Pali either of the following passage :
- Focus, not on the rudeness of others, not on what they've done or left undone, but on what you have and haven't done yourself.
 - Thus have I heard. Once the Blessed One dwelt at Rājagha on the hill called Vulture's Peak. At that time the King of Magadha Ajātasattu, son of the Vedehi queen desired to wage war against the Vajjis.

GROUP-D

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10. Write an essay in Pali on any One of the following topic :
- Tipitaka
 - Dukkha
 - Bodhisatta

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