

2021

PALI
PAPER-I

Time Allowed — 3 Hours

Full Marks — 200

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.

Candidates may use *Devnagari* or *Roman* or *Bengali* Script in their answers, quotations or expressions in Pali.

Group-A

1. State and illustrate Verner's Law. 12
2. Give some ideas about the linguistic peculiarities of Pali. 20
3. Explain *any three* of the following phonetic tendencies in Pali with suitable examples: 6×3=18
 - (a) Dissimilation
 - (b) Syncope
 - (c) Prothesis
 - (d) Lost vowels in Pali
 - (e) Treatment of Sanskrit 'R' in Pali

Group-B

4. What is *Niggahīta*? Why *Niggahīta Sandhi* is so called? Describe different modes of *Niggahīta Sandhi* with suitable examples, in Pali. 18
5. Explain the formation of Causatives in Pali with suitable examples. 12
6. (a) Decline either 'nadi' or 'Tumha' in the Accusative and Instrumental form in both numbers. 4
- (b) Conjugate either \sqrt{gaha} or \sqrt{ni} in the Pañcamī. 4
- (c) Make simple sentences using *any three* of the following words in Pali: 4×3=12
addhā, ambho, antarā, bhiiyo, nissāya, maññe.

Group-C

7. Translate into English *either* of the following verses adding grammatical notes on the underlined words: 10+4=14
 - (a) "Svāgatam vata me āsi, mama Buddhassa santike,
Tisso vijjā anuppattā, katam Buddhassa sāsanam."

- (b) “Padumuttaro nāma Jino sabbadhammāna pāragū,
Ito satasahassamhi, kappe *uppajji* Nāyako.”
8. Translate into English *either* of the prose extracts adding grammatical notes on the words underlined: 10+4=14
- (a) “Bhaddekarattassa vo, bhikkhave, uddesañ ca vibhaṅgañ ca desissāmi. Taṃ sunātha manasikarotha, bhāsissamī’ti.” “Evam bhante” ti kho te bhikkhū Bhagavato paccassosum”.
- (b) So āramagato parisatim dhammam deseti, na taṃ parisam ussādeti, na tam parisam apasādeti; añña-d-atthu dhammiyā taṃ parisam sandasseti samuttejoti samādapeti sampahamseti.”
9. Translate into Pali *either* of the following passages: 22
- (a) Cunda was a worker in metals (= kammāra-putta) living in Pava. When the Buddha reached Pava on his way to Kusinara, stayed in Cunda’s Mango-grove. There Cunda visited the Buddha and invited him and the monks to a meal next day.
- (b) Kassapa Dasabala was the twenty-fourth Buddha, the third of the present aeon (the Bhaddakappa) and one of the seven Buddhas mentioned in the Canon. He was born in Benares, in the Deer Park of Isipatana, of Brahmin parents, Brahmadata and Dhanavati belonging in the Kassapagotta.

Group-D

10. Write an essay in Pali on of the following topics: 50
- (a) Ariyo Aṭṭhaṅgiko Maggo
- (b) Paṭiccasamuppāda
- (c) Ācariyo Buddhaghosa

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