

2021

SANSKRIT

PAPER-II

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.

Answer may be written either in English or in Bengali or in Sanskrit but all answer must be in one and the same language.

Answer question no. 1 & 2 and any three of the rest.

1. What is meant by the term “Philosophical Hymns”? Mention the source of these hymns. Give an account of any four of such hymns. 6+2+32=40

Or,

Analyse the significance of the term “Upaniṣad” and mention the source of the Upaniṣads. Write a comprehensive note on the main teachings of Upaniṣad. 8+2+30=40

2. Write a comprehensive note on different Buddhist schools and analyse the philosophical doctrines of these schools. 20+20=40

Or,

Who is the author of ‘Vaiśeṣika sūtra’? Analyse his theory of atomism that is revealed in Vaiśeṣika system. 2+38=40

3. Name another title of the Rāmāyaṇa that is found in the Mahābhārata. In which Kāṇḍa of the Rāmāyaṇa the episode of Mārīca is included? Estimate the importance of this great epic in the social, cultural and religious history of India. 2+2+36=40

4. Critically analyse the characteristic features of the thirteen dramas of Bhāsa. By whom these dramas discovered and when? How did he establish his opinion related to the authorship of Bhāsa? 28+1+1+10=40

5. What is meant by the term “Aṣṭāṅga Āyurveda”? Name the eight sectors of Āyurveda. Critically estimate the value of the two famous texts Ārakasamhitā and Suśrutasaṃhitā. 4+8+28=40

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6. Analyse the source and deviation of "Uttarāmācaritam" of Bhavabhūti. How many acts are found in this drama. Justify the remark "Kāruṇyaṃ Bhavabhūtireva tanute" with special reference to this drama. 18+2+20=40
 7. Critically estimate the poetic excellence of Kālidāsa with special reference to his Mahākāvya, the "Kumārasambhavam". 40
 8. Write a comprehensive note on the policy of taxation as revealed in Manusamhitā, Chapter-VII. By what name this chapter is titled by the author? 38+2=40
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