

Friday, 11 May 2007

# Sanskrit – Basic Level

## Paper 2A

Time: 1 hour and 30 minutes

### Instructions to Candidates

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Answer Question 1 and Question 2.

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

This paper has two questions.

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## ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND QUESTION 2

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) The elephants drank from the river. (6)
- (b) The soldiers protect the people in the city. (8)
- (c) Having gone to the teacher, we read stories. (8)
- (d) I shall kill the ogres quickly. (6)

(Max: 32 marks)

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### Sanskrit Epic Civilization Questions

2. Answer all questions.

- (a) Explain in brief the following terms:
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| (i) <i>māyā</i>         | (iv) <i>samaṣṭi</i> |
| (ii) <i>antaḥkaraṇa</i> | (v) <i>śakti</i>    |
| (iii) <i>buddhi</i>     | (vi) <i>avatāra</i> |
- (12)
- (b) What is *saṃskāra*? Explain briefly each of its three aspects, namely *sañcita*, *prārabdha* and *kriyamāṇa*. (7)
- (c) One of the five *karmendriyas*, or organs of action, is speaking, which works through the mouth. Name the remaining four *karmendriyas*, and their respective organs. (8)
- (d) What are *sañkalpa* and *vikalpa*? (2)

- (e) Give a short explanation of each of these literary terms:
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| (i) <i>veda</i>      | (iv) <i>vyākaraṇa</i> |      |
| (ii) <i>brāhmaṇa</i> | (v) <i>dhātu</i>      |      |
| (iii) <i>bhāṣya</i>  | (vi) <i>śruti</i>     | (12) |
- (f) Name three characters in the *Mahābhārata*, and give a brief account of the part each plays. (9)
- (g) *Kāma*, enjoyment, is one of the four *puruṣārthas*. Name the other three in Sanskrit, and give a translation of each. (6)
- (h) Name in Sanskrit one of the godly qualities spoken of in Chapter 16 of the *Bhagavad Gītā*. Give a translation of the quality. (2)

(58 marks)

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