

**BOCHASANWASI SHRI AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM  
SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA  
SATSANG EXAMINATIONS**

**SATSANG PRAVIN**

**PAPER-1**

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TOTAL MARKS: 100

Note: Figures to the right indicate the marks for that question.

**SECTION-1  
AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM UPASANA**

**Q.1 For any TWO of the following, give THREE references from the scriptures.** [6]

1. Shriji Maharaj – The All-doer
2. Liking for Sakar
3. Aksharbrahma: One and Unique
4. Characteristics of the Gunatit Sadhu

**Q.2 Write the subject title for the given references.** [5]

1. Maru dham chhe re, Akshar Amrut jenu nam;  
Tema hu rahu re, dvibhuj divya sada sakar.
2. Jeh dhamne pamine prani, pachhu padvanu nathi re,  
Sarve par chhe sukhn khani, kevu kahie tene kathi re.
3. Ekamevadvitiam Brahma.
4. Ej gnani ej tattvavetta, jene pragat prabhune pekhiya.
5. Vandu Gunatitanand Swami, jehi par rijhe antaryami.

**Q.3 Write the correct answers from the given options.** [4]

**Note: There may be more than one correct option. Marks will be awarded only for all correct options.**

1. Which of the following verses were written by Nishkulanand Swami?  
(A) Jeva e sant kahiye shiromani, eva Hari sau shirmod.  
(B) A bhavsagar par utar, Hari ke Hari ko das.

- (C) Bese raja gadi par koy re, chhode bandhivanna bandh soy re.
- (D) Parokshthi bhavtano par ave nahi,  
Veda Vedant kahe satya vani.

2. Shriji Maharaj – the Supreme

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| (A) Gadhada III-38 | (B) Gadhada II-16 |
| (C) Gadhada II-13  | (D) Gadhada III-2 |

**Q.4 Write short notes on any ONE of the following and explain the moral. (12 lines each.)** [4]

1. Gunatitanand Swami's introduction of himself at the Chaitra Punam festival in Vartal.
2. The freeing of the jivas who were condemned to suffer in hell.
3. "Meditate on the roof tiles of Dada Khachar's darbar."

**Q.5 Explain any TWO of the following. (12 lines each.)** [8]

1. Disadvantages of perceiving manushyabhav in God and the Gunatit Sadhu.
2. Shriji Maharaj – The Supreme: As Expressed in Swamini Vatu.
3. Glory of the Gunatit Sadhu: In the Poems of the Paramhansas
4. The Need of Becoming Brahmarup.

**Q.6 Give reasons for any TWO of the following. (12 lines each.)** [8]

1. God has a form yet people believe God is formless.
2. Shriji Maharaj took Atmanand Swami to Akshardham.
3. Shastriji Maharaj visited Malji Soni in Bhoika.
4. Shastriji Maharaj said, "We should not follow the example of Ravan or Surpankha, but should follow the example of Vibhishan."

**Q.7 Upasana: What to understand? What not to understand? Complete the following statements.** [8]

**Upasana: What to understand?**

1. Jiva ..... seperate from one another.
2. Parabrahma dwelling in Akshardham ..... is the very same Shriji Maharaj manifesting - pragat - on earth.
3. Aksharbrahma ..... unique.
4. Aksharbrahma is the eternal sevak ..... offered to Purushottam Narayan.
5. After departing from this earth ..... totally manifests through His Divine Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj - Shastri Narayanswarupdasji.

**Upasana: What not to understand?**

1. Only Aksharbrahma ..... only through him.
2. Paramhansas other than ..... called Mul Aksharbrahma.
3. It is possible to become Pragat Brahmaswrup ..... (present manifestation of Shriji Maharaj).

**Q.8** True knowledge is recognising the pragat form of God. [5]

**SECTION-2**

**SATSANG READER - PART III &  
PORTRAIT OF INSPIRATION: PRAMUKH SWAMI MAHARAJ**

**Q.9** For any TWO of the following, state who is speaking to whom and when the words were spoken. [6]

1. "What sort of exploit is this?"
2. "When I look at your jiva, I feel that satsang is no longer predominant in your heart."
3. "From now onwards wear either shoes or slippers that suit you."

**Q.10** Give reasons for any TWO of the following. (12 lines each.) [6]

1. Raghuvirji Maharaj said, "Gunatitanand Swami will deliver discourses."
2. Maharaj called Brahmachari and made Parvatbhai eat his meals.
3. Nishkulanand Swami remembered the words of Ramanand Swami.
4. The Dar-es-Salaam airport officials bowed down to Swamishri.

**Q.11** Answer the following concisely. (12 lines each.) [8]

1. David's divine experience.

**OR**

An end to 200 years of conflict.

2. Gunatitanand Swami's and Gopalanand Swami's mutual affection and understanding of each other's glory.

**OR**

The devotion of Kushalkunvarba.

**Q.12** Answer the following, using only one sentence for each. [6]

1. Blessing fifteen-month-old Shivalbhai, what did Shriji Maharaj say?
2. For how long did Raghuvirji Maharaj remain acharya, and whom did he appoint as his heir?

3. What is Anirdesh?
4. Why was Parvatbhai hesitant to eat the sugarcane?
5. What has the poet Dalpatram compared Muktanand Swami's speech with?
6. In which parliaments has Pramukh Swami Maharaj been honoured?

**Q.13** Write the correct answers from the given options. [6]

**Note: There may be more than one correct option. Marks will be awarded only for all correct options.**

1. On his search for a true guru, which of the following did Mukunddas meet?
 

(A) Ramdas	(B) Dwarkadas
(C) Kalyandas	(D) Tulsidas
2. On his way to Kutch with Shriji Maharaj, whom did Lalji Suthar meet?
 

(A) A Beggar
(B) A Merchant
(C) A Sadhu
(D) Robbers
3. People who have spoken highly of Pramukh Swami Maharaj.
 

(A) Chinna Jeer Swami
(B) Atmanand Swami
(C) Professor Jaroslav Fric
(D) Dr. Kurien

**SECTION-3: ESSAY**

**Q.14** Write an essay on ONE of the following. (In 60 lines.) [20]

1. Nilkanth's Himalayan Journey
2. Seva without 'Inness' and 'Mine nees': Vishalyakarani healing herb.
3. The Necessity of Spiritual Disciplines (Niyams) and Self-restriction (Sayam) in One's Life.

