SATSANG SIKSHAN PARIKSHA
Bochasanwasi Shri Aksharpurushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha, Shahibaug, Ahmedabad - 04.

SATSANG PARICHAY - 2
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SECTION-1: KISHORE SATSANG PARICHAY

Q.1 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (Total Marks: 10)

1. “With your blessings, there will be heaps of wealth.”
   Who ............................................................. To Whom .............................................................
   When .............................................................................................................................................

2. “Child don’t try to evaluate God.”
   Who ............................................................. To Whom .............................................................
   When .............................................................................................................................................

3. “Isn’t he Swaminarayan?”
   Who ............................................................. To Whom .............................................................
   When .............................................................................................................................................

4. “Only a man with such conviction can ignore public criticism.”
   Who ............................................................. To Whom .............................................................
   When .............................................................................................................................................

5. “There is only one Swami and that is Vallabh Swami, the rest are like devas to me.”
   Who ............................................................. To Whom .............................................................
   When .............................................................................................................................................

Q.2 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 4)

1. Nathu Bhatt prostrated to Damodarbhai.
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2. Fire did not light Rajbai’s funeral pyre.
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Q.3 From the following choose SEVEN correct sentences which are related to the topic and put a tick (✓) mark in the given blocks. (Total Marks: 7)

Topic: Satsang

1  [ ] Vasishtha Muni employed a little strength of Satsang and instantly the earth moved upwards.
2  [ ] Satsang does not simply mean communion with morally good people.
3  [ ] Just as the Chintamani can eradicate poverty, similarly Satsang can also eradicate poverty.
4  [ ] However hard one may try, one cannot succeed in eradicating worldly
In obeying the orders of the sadhu, one is also obeying the orders of the scriptures. Vasishtha Muni and Vishwamitra went to Mother Earth to resolve their dispute. Satsang is the sole means to attaining ultimate salvation. During Shriji Maharaj’s stay on this earth, Kathis, Kanbis and many others attained ultimate salvation by performing austerities, studying scriptures, donating, etc. God is not as pleased by ashtang yoga, dharma, austerities, renunciation, pilgrimages, yagnas and other endeavours as He is pleased by Satsang. The scriptures describe Satsang as greater than Kalpataru and Chintamani. Just as one can eradicate worldly cravings by austerities, observances and donations, one can achieve the same by associating with a Sadhu.

Q.4 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence for each answer. (Total Marks: 7)

1. Who can be described as a mobile pilgrim place? 1 Mark

2. What happened to Lakshmichand Sheth when he thought of Bhagwan Swaminarayan? 1 Mark

3. What is the real spirit of friendship? 1 Mark

4. Under whose name did Shriji Maharaj conduct the grand yagnas in Dabhan? 1 Mark

5. Give two examples that prove God manifests in the murti? 1 Mark

6. Which kirtan did Premanand Swami compose to commemorate Mota Rambai’s episode? 1 Mark

7. Who helped Sundarji Suthar realise the divinity of Shriji Maharaj? 1 Mark

Q.5 Complete one of the following Swamini Vato and narrate it. (Total Marks: 6)

1. 'The way a cow allows the calf...' OR 'Let us find out what special benefit...'
Q. 6 Complete the following.  (Total Marks: 5)

1. Vishwavihari .................................................................

................................................................. ranga chhel.  1 Mark

2. Akshar par .................................................................

................................................................. lahat Akshardham.  1 Mark
3. Anya kshetre

4. Sharanagatapapa

5. Translate the shlok: Sharanagatapapa bhaje sada.

SECTION-2: PRAGJI BHAKTA

Q.7 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when. (Total Marks: 10)

1. “You don’t know Pragji Bhakta.”

2. “Where does this forest deer come from?”

3. “I will make him life stones and realise God.”

4. “At the time of your death I will come with Maharaj to receive you.”

5. “This Pragji Bhakta is my most beloved devotee.”
Q.8 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 4)

1. Acharya Maharaj reprimanded Pragji Bhakta.
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2. Pragji Bhakta meditated on Gunatitanand Swami and drew him to the garden.
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Q.9 Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on any ONE incident. (Narration not required). (Total Marks: 5)

2. Bliss in Solitude.
3. The Last Phase.

Incident:

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Q.10 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence for each answer. (Total Marks: 6)

1. Which three boons did Pragji Bhakta ask of Gunatitanand Swami?
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2. Why was Shriji Maharaj at Pragji Bhakta's command?
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3. What did Gopalanand Swami say upon seeing Pragji Bhakta for the first time?
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4. What did Gunatitanand Swami say when leaving Junagadh for the last time?
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5. Which two stitches did Pragji Bhakta remove and which two did he stitch?  

6. Through whose association did Shri Ranghacharyaji realize Bhagatji's God-realised state?  

Q.11 State whether the following statements are True or False and rewrite the False statements. (Total Marks: 5)

1. Bhagatji commanded Yagnapurushdasji to go to Kashi for his studies.  

2. Pragji Bhakta fulfilled the role of a barber for nearly six years.  

3. With the blessings of Gunatitanand Swami, Pragji Bhakta always remained engrossed in God in all the three states of mind - waking, deep sleep and dream.  

4. Gunatitanand Swami requested Pavitranand Swami to take Pragji Bhakta back into Satsang.  

5. Pragji Bhakta told Pavitranand Swami, "Swami, now only Shriji Maharaj can excommunicate me."  

Q.12 Fill in the blanks. (Total Marks: 6)

1. Shriji Maharaj appeared in the dreams of .................................................. of Pij and said, "I manifest in Satsang through Pragji Bhakta."  

2. Pragji Bhakta was born on the auspicious full moon day of Fagun in V.S.................................................  

3. Gunatitanand Swami honoured ..................................................., who had insulted Swami in the assembly, with a garland of roses.  

4. In Khandesh ......................................... attracted many people towards Satsang.  

5. Bhagatji talked to the Rao Saheb of Petlad about the four types of Satpurush as described in the ......................................................  

6. Swami told Pragji Bhakta, "Gnan can only be given to a ........................................... soul who has total control over all his senses and body and is prepared to surrender himself completely to me."