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

SATSANG PRARAMBHA

Sunday, 2nd March 2008       Time: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.       Total Marks: 100

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मोडरेशन विभाग माने ५

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विभाग - नाम
SECTION-1: GHANSHYAM CHARITRA

Q.1 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 5)

1. Which scholars said, "Everything is Brahman. Brahman is the only reality"?

   ............................................................................................................................... ............................... 1 Mark

2. Who named the child Lord 'Ghanshyam'?

   ............................................................................................................................... ................................ 1 Mark

3. Which two criteria did King Gumansingh use to test whether Ghanshyam was God?

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4. List four items Ghanshyam took with him when he left home?

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5. Which type of tree did Ghanshyam climb to look west?

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Q.2 Answer the following, and state who is speaking to whom. (Total Marks: 8)

1. “Had you not calmed the elephant. I would surely have died.”

   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? .................................................... ....... 2 Marks

2. “You should never go to the well to fetch water after sunset.”

   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? .................................................... ....... 2 Marks

3. “Now you need not eat cold khichdi.”

   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? .................................................... ....... 2 Marks

4. “I will drown if I try to walk through the water?”

   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? .................................................... ....... 2 Marks

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Q.3 Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct answer from the options given. (Total Marks: 5)

1. ....................................... was Ghanshyam's maternal aunt.

   (Suvasinibai, Vasantabai, Gangabai) 1 Mark

2. Ghanshyam would awake at .................................... everyday.

   (3.45 a.m., 4.00 a.m., 4.15 a.m.) 1 Mark

3. Ghanshyam was born at .................................... (12.00 p.m., 10.00 p.m., 12.00 a.m.)

   1 Mark

4. ....................................................'s friend took the form of a sparrow and came near Ghanshyam.

   (Lakshmiji, Radhikaji, Suvasinibhabhi) 1 Mark
5. Since they were all breaking their fast after the Ramnavmi festival, and Suvasinibhabhi cooked food for the whole family. (Vasantabai, Gangabai, Bhaktimata)  

Q.4 Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on any ONE incident. (Narration is not required.) (Total Marks: 5)  
1. Monkey in a Trance.  
2. Ghanshyam Is Seen as Ramchandra  
3. The Greedy Confectioner  

Incident:  
1. ............................................................................................................................. ..................................  
2. ............................................................................................................................. ..................................  
3. ............................................................................................................................. ..................................  
4. ............................................................................................................................. ..................................  
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Q.5 Pick the correct option from list 'B' for list 'A' and write only the answer number in the given box. (Total Marks: 5)  

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<td>5. Fixed the auspicious day for Ghanshyam's sacred thread ceremony.</td>
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Q.6 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 6)  
1. Ramdatt and the other Brahmins asked Ghanshyam for forgiveness.  

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2. Ghanshyam restored Vrajvihari's eyesight.

3. A real tiger sprang up from the tiger skin.

SECTION-2: YOGIJI MAHARAJ

Q.7 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 5)

1. What is eternal?

2. Shastriji Maharaj appointed Yogiji Maharaj as the Mahant of which mandir?

3. In whose holy presence did the murti-pratishtha in Gadhada mandir take place and in which year?

4. At what age was Shastri Narayanswarupdasji appointed the president of the Sanstha?

5. What two items did Jina Bhagat and other sadhus offer Shastriji Maharaj, when they met him for the first time?

Q.8 Answer the following, and state who is speaking to whom. (Total Marks: 8)

1. “Why don't you take a younger sadhu with you?”

Who is speaking? ................................................. To whom? ..................................................
2. “Do not worry, I will serve Thakorji.”
   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? ....................................................
   2 Marks

3. “I would be happy if you would make me a sadhu. It is my only wish.”
   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? ....................................................
   2 Marks

4. “Keep the association of holy sadhus.”
   Who is speaking? .................................................. To whom? ....................................................
   2 Marks

Q.9 Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct answer from the options given. (Total Marks: 5)

1. ......................................................... had the small metallic murti of Shri Harikrishna Maharaj that was formerly worshipped by Gunatitanand Swami.
   (Yogiji Maharaj, Bhagatji Maharaj, Jaga Swami) 1 Mark

2. The king of .............................................. pleaded with Jina Bhagat to have some food on the day of Annakut.
   (Mengni, Lodhika, Junagadh) 1 Mark

3. On the day of Gadhada mandir’s ............................................................. ceremony Yogiji Maharaj gave bhagwati diksha to 51 well-educated youths.
   (groundbreaking, murti-pratishtha, golden kalash installation) 1 Mark

4. Yogiji Maharaj left this world for Akshardham in .........................................
   (Mumbai, Gondal, Gadhada) 1 Mark

5. Yogiji Maharaj was born on the twelfth day on the dark half of the month of ................. in the year ............... (Vaishakh/V.S.1848, Chaitra/V.S.1948, Vaishakh/V.S.1948) 1 Mark

Q.10 Write briefly five main points (in sentences) on any ONE incident. (Narration is not required.) (Total Marks: 5)

1. Jinabhai's Courage
2. Devotion to Guru (Gurubhakti)
3. Youth Centres and Satsang Assemblies

Incident:

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Q.11 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each). (Total Marks: 6)

1. Devotees were convinced that Yogiji Maharaj enjoyed the favour of Swami and Shriji Maharaj.
   2 Marks
2. In Bhavnagar Yogiji Maharaj did not go to see the Maharaja's wedding procession. 2 Marks

3. Jina Bhagat at once covered his feet from the Rajput devotee. 2 Marks

Q.12 Answer **ALL** of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (Total Marks: 7)

1. Where did Shriji Maharaj consecrate his own murti?

2. Jodho's devotion can be compared to whose devotion?

3. What did the divine voice tell Punja Dodia just as he was about to plunge himself into the sea?

4. Which five mandirs did Shastriji Maharaj construct?

5. Why did Nath Bhakta distribute sweets when his son died?
6. Which two directions can one face when performing puja?  

7. What is prarthana?

Q.13 State whether the following sentences are True or False and rewrite the False sentences. (Total Marks: 6)

1. Shriji Maharaj referred to the brave child devotee's father as Kans.  

2. Shriji Maharaj especially enjoyed rice and dal prepared by the bibi from Bhal.  

3. Samat Patel, a faithful disciple who lived in the Valak region, offered Shriji Maharaj Rs. 4,500.  

4. Naradji named Ajamil's son 'Ram'.  

5. After not getting anything to eat for four days, Bhumanand Swami received some green wheat grains (ponk) on the fifth day.  


Q.14 Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct answer from the options given. (Total Marks: 6)

1. .......................................... worshipped God from childhood.  
   (Dhruv, Tulsidas, Abhimanyu)  

2. When ............................................... Swami was in a dark forest he encountered a ferocious tiger.  
   (Atmanand, Adbhutanand, Akhandanand)  

3. Shriji Maharaj sent ....................................... to bring a babul stick.  
   (Sura Khachar, Somla Khachar, Samat Patel)  

4. Vajiba became a satsangi after listening to ....................................... Swami's talks.  
   (Muktanand, Ramdas, Gunatitanand)  

5. Dungar Bhakta was given bhagwati diksha by ...........................................................  
   (Vignananand Swami, Acharya Viharilalji Maharaj, Acharya Shripati Rupradji Maharaj)
6. Muktanand Swami composed the arti in ..................................................  
(Kariyani, Panvi, Kalvani)

Q.15 Complete the kirtans/verses/shloks below.  (Total Marks: 8)

1. Pragat hari guru ............................................................................................................... ................................
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   .............................................................................................................. hradaye dhari. 2 Marks □

2. Shriman nirgun-murti .......................................................................................................... ........................
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   ........................................................................................................................ sarvada. 2 Marks □

3. Chalu karo .................................................................................................................... ........................
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   ............................................................................................................................... ...............................
   ..................................................................................................................... raji thaine. 2 Marks □

4. Mul Akshar ................................................................................................................... ........................
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   .................................................................................................. Shri Hari Sahajanand. 2 Marks □

Q.16. Complete any ONE of the following Swamini Vato and write an explanatory note on it. (In 10 lines.)  (Total Marks: 5)

1. Today, there is no mantra....  2. Some are controlled by.....

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Q. 17 From the following sentences choose FIVE correct sentences.  
(Write the sentence numbers only)  (Total Marks: 5)

Topic: Brave Bhaguji

1. Even though Bhaguji was short, he was very brave.  
2. Vasu Khachar, the Darbar of Bhadli State, proclaimed that he would give a handsome reward to any person who would bring Bhaguji's severed head to him.  
3. Khabad and Mataro, two brothers from the Valak region, took up the challenge.  
4. There were eighteen wounds on Bhaguji's body.  
5. Shriji Maharaj stopped the practice of arti, beating drums, bells, etc. in the village.  
6. Shriji Maharaj told Muktanand Swami, "You remain here."  
7. The barber placed crow faeces in Bhaguji's wounds.  
8. The King of Bhavnagar, Bapu Vajesinh, heard about Bhaguji's bravery.  
9. "I will pay you a salary of five hundred rupees a month and give you charge of three hundred mounted soldiers."  
10. "I have given up everything and all my wealth only for him. I only want to spend the rest of my life in the service of Bhagwan Swaminarayan."

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