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SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA

SATSANG EXAMINATIONS - PRE-TEST

SATSANG PRAVIN-1

January 2001

Time: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon

Total Marks: 100

SECTION - 1 (AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM UPASANA)

- Q.1. For any TWO of the following, give Three references from the scriptures.** (6)
1. Only one pragat form of God.
 2. Shriji Maharaj - The all-doer.
 3. Divyabhav in Shriji Maharaj.
 4. Aksharbrahman: One and unique.
- Q.2. Narrate any TWO of the following and write the significance.** (8)
1. "Swami, are you Akshar in person?"
 2. Preparation of the literature of the Pragat form of God by Muktanand Swami.
 3. Paramhansa's unshakeable conviction of Shriji Maharaj's supremacy.
 4. Oneness of Brahman and Parabrahman in all the three states.
- Q.3. From the following, describe any TWO. (In approx 12 lines.)** (8)
1. Gunatitanand Swami is Akshar: From his life and work. (any Two incidents)
 2. Disadvantages of perceiving manushyabhav in God.
 3. Importance of Upasana.
 4. Upasana with Swami-Sevak bhav.
- Q.4. Give reasons for any TWO of the following. (In 12 lines.)** (8)
1. It is proper to adorn the murti of Gunatitanand Swami with garments and ornaments.
 2. Ramanand Swami described Neelkanth Varni as the cause of all avatars.
 3. Aksharbrahman has a prominent place in the Swaminarayan Upasana.
 4. Ekantik Dharma can be attained only by being in contact with an ekantik bhakta.
- Q.5. Upasana: What not to understand.** (8)
- Q.6. To think and treat Gunatitanand Swami and Gopalanand Swami as if they were sadhus and mortals on earth, is a sign of superficial thinking.** (5)
- Q.7. Write in detail on any ONE of the following.** (5)
1. Cosmic Evolution.
 2. Characteristics of Gunatit Sadhu.
 3. Deficiencies resulting from not realising the Pragat form of God.

SECTION - 2 (SATSANG READER - III)

(IDOL OF INSPIRATION PRAMUKH SWAMI MAHARAJ)

- Q.8. Answer the following, stating who says to whom and when.** (6)
1. "There is a close relation between a father and a son; similar is the case with a guru and his disciple."
 2. "The God-realised sadhu is like the udder of the cow."
 3. "You have removed the pain of my body. I'll remove the pain of your heart."
 4. "What is the essence of your spiritual progress."

Q.9. Give Reasons for any TWO of the following. (In 12 lines.)

(8)

1. Has given a society a philosophical insight of the glory of a God-realised Sadhu.
2. Maharaj gently scolded the Kathis in Agatrai.
3. Mukunddas decided to commit suicide.
4. The man belonging to the tribal community felt "I'm a human being too".

Q.10. Write briefly on any TWO of the following. (In 12 lines.)

(8)

1. Write the significance of the kirtan: Sukhi karya re jan.....
2. Acharya Raghuvirji Maharaj's determination to associate with Gunatitanand Swami.
3. Pujya Ramswarup Shastri's and Pujya Krishnashankar Shastri's reflections about Swamishri.
4. Write the significance of the kirtan: Anubhavi Anandma Govind.....

Q.11. Answer the following in one sentence only.

(6)

1. What did the Mayor of Nairobi present to Swamishri?
2. Who constructed Akshar Ordi at Gadhada?
3. When will it be impossible to sit near the Sadhu?
4. According to Swamishri what will help the children overcome difficulties regarding studies?
5. What according to Parvatbhai was the second famine?
6. According to the orders of Maharaj where did Gopalanand Swami spend most of his time?

Q.12. Describe any ONE of the following and bring out the significance.

(4)

1. Total detachment of Raghuvirji Maharaj.
2. Swamishri's humility.
3. Invaluable literature contributed by Nishkulanand Swami.

Q.13 Write an essay on any ONE. (In approx 60 lines.)

(20)

1. Saints, scriptures and mandirs - pillars of culture.
2. Removal of I-ness (Ego): Eraser of Troubles.
3. Celebration of numerous festivals in U.S.A. by Swamishri.



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SATSANG PRAVIN-2

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Time: 2.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.

Total Marks: 100

SECTION - 1 KISHORE SATSANG PRAVIN

- Q.1. Answer the following, stating who says to whom and when. (6)**
1. "We want to renounce."
 2. "After your departure, the next day our town was plundered by the gang of Baba Saheb."
 3. "Whom do you see in me?"
 4. "The king does not love you so much as he used to love his dead wife."
- Q.2. Give reasons for any TWO of the following. (8)**
1. Importance of introduction at the beginning of each discourse.
 2. One attains ultimate salvation by association with the God-realised sadhu.
 3. Maharaj goes to Jetha Mer's house.
 4. King Chitraketu gave up one crore women.
- Q.3. Write briefly on any TWO of the following. (In 12 lines.) (8)**
1. Explain the kirtan: Preet kar... preet kar...
 2. Glory of Purushottam Narayan- the idol of Upasana.
 3. Swayamprakashanand Swami
 4. Importance of Dhyan Chintamani.
- Q.4. Answer the following in one sentence only. (6)**
1. With what aim did Vajubhai go and where?
 2. What are all the actions of the devotee aimed at?
 3. Whom did Uka Khachar Server? Why?
 4. Which sadhus can be considered as ideal sadhus?
 5. Who composed Dharmik Stotram?
 6. To whom should Acharyas never preach?
- Q.5. Complete and explain the Swamini Vato OR Explain the Vachanamrut. (5)**
1. There is nothing to grieve for **OR**
 2. Gadhada section I-54
- Q.6. Write a short note on any ONE of the following. (In 15 lines.) (5)**
1. Alaiya Khachar who left Maharaj.
 2. Upasana
 3. Maharaj's great celibate Sura Khachar.
- Q.7. Complete any THREE of the following. (6)**
1. Samadukha sukha gunatitaha sa uchyate.
 2. Saadhvi chakor sharanam prapadye.
 3. Kaama, krodha ne lobha lejyo Hari teha.
 4. Vahle tara jugal din che re lol.
 5. Sant Hu ne Hu te vali eni vaatmaa re lol.

SECTION - 2 GUNATITANAND SWAMI

Q.8. Answer the following, stating who says to whom and when.

(6)

1. "Who has seen tomorrow?"
2. "Maharaj had addressed this Vachanamrutam to me."
3. "Kabir worshipped and addressed Aksharbrahman as 'Sadguru Saheb'."
4. "Leader is only Khuda (God) and I am His servant."

Q.9. Give reasons for any TWO of the following. (In 12 lines.)

(8)

1. Even tyagis craved for the darshan of great devotees of ordinary caste or background.
2. Gunatitanand Swami soon forgot the strain of a long journey.
3. The Nawab of Khambhat was delighted and touched the feet of Swami.
4. Laxman started touching Swami's feet to his chest.

Q.10 Narrate briefly any TWO of the following. (In 12 lines.)

(8)

1. First encounter of Mulji Bhakta and Shriji Maharaj.
2. Dharmaswarupanand also became perfect.
3. Subtle penance.
4. Swami - an eminent speaker.

Q.11 Answer the following in one sentence.

(5)

1. How did Maharaj do boating in the river Und?
2. How many sadhus were sick in Kariyani?
3. What cannot lead Atmaram astray?
4. After Maharaj's darshan, where did Swami sleep?
5. What did all the sadhus resolve and pray for Uga Khuman?

Q.12. Write briefly any TWO of the following, bringing out the significance. (In 12 lines.)

(8)

1. Defeat of the Vedantins.
2. Divine peace experienced by Vasudevcharandas.
3. Selfless service (seva) with detachment.
4. Patel gifted the bullock to Swami.

SECTION - 3 ON BASIS OF SATSANG PARICHAY

Q.13. Narrate any THREE of the following in approx. 30 lines.

(21)

- A) 1. Enhancing the prestige of the Swaminarayan Sampraday with scholarly arguments by Nityanand Swami. (S.R. - II) **OR**
2. Maharaj sweetly scolded by the carpenter woman. (S.R. - II)
- B) 1. His own life history. (S.C.) **OR**
2. Interview with Governor Malcolm. (S.C.)
- C) 1. Grand reception at Junagadh. (P.B.) **OR**
2. Devotees in trouble. (P.B.)
- D) 1. Rigorous tests for the sadhus. (S.C.) **OR**
2. Idol worship (K.S.P.)
- E) 1. Vishnudas (K.S.P.) **OR**
2. Two Kathis of Gundali. (K.S.P.)

