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Final Exam on 11th March 2007.**

BOCHASANWASI SHRI AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM SWAMINARAYAN SANSTHA
SATSANG EXAMINATIONS

PRE-TEST: SATSANG PRAVIN-1

JANUARY 2007

Time: 9.00 am to 12.00 pm

Total Marks: 100

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3. Figures given on the right hand side indicate the marks for that question.
4. Follow the instructions while answering.
5. Answers should be clearly written.
6. Write your answers with either a blue or black pen. Answers written in pencil, or with a red, green or any other coloured pen will not be considered valid.
7. Marks for Question →

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For Moderation Dept.	Que. No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	1 (6)	
	2 (5)	
	3 (4)	
	4 (4)	
	5 (8)	
	6 (8)	
	7 (7)	
	8 (5)	

Section-1, Total Marks

For Moderation Dept.	Que. No. (Marks)	Marks Obtained
	9 (9)	
	10 (8)	
	11 (8)	
	12 (5)	
	13 (8)	

Section-2, Total Marks

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	14 (15)	

Section-3, Total Marks

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SECTION-1: AKSHAR PURUSHOTTAM UPASANA

Q.1. For any TWO of the following, give THREE references from the scriptures. (6)

1. The importance of devotion to the pragat form of God.

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2. The necessity of becoming brahmarup for unhindered devotion.
3. It is essential of accept God and his Sadhu as divine.
4. Shriji Maharaj's supremacy as explained by himself.

Q.2. Given below are references from the scriptures, principles or stanzas. Write the topic they relate to. (5)

Example: "One who believes God as formless and abstract becomes the worst sinner, even worse than one who has committed the five grave sins."

Ans: Disadvantages of understanding God as nirakar.

1. The divine light of Purushottam can also be understood to be sakar.
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2. But today a mountain of magnet is before us, attracting in its magnetic field the entire cosmos.
3. Those who are devoid of such devotion, interpret the Bhagavatam as propounding a formless God.
4. I am the ultimate cause of the evolution of millions of macrocosms.
5. "Throwing such calumny at a devotee of God is an irredeemable sin, greater in intensity than the five great sins."

Q.3. From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct ones. (4)

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

1. Gunatit Sadhu – The pragat form of God and yet a loyal servant.
 - (a) If anyone calls me God, he will be considered a donkey.
 - (b) 'More man prabhu as biswasa, Ram se adhik Ram kare dasa.'
 - (c) We are the bullocks of Akshar Purushottam.
 - (d) 'Samarth pay kabu nahi chhalkat, Jyu uddhi ke toya.'
2. Shriji Maharaj's supremacy explained in the words of Aksharbrahma Gunatitanand Swami
 - (a) "Leave aside the pastimes of Krishna and tune into the pastimes of Shriji Maharaj."
 - (b) "Maharaj is like the gardi, the third type of snake charmer. Jiva, Ishwar, Purush, Akshar and others are all standing before Him with folded hands."
 - (c) "From the glory and infinite powers of God manifesting presently in this Satsang before you, You should clearly realise that He is totally divine and is the final cause of all the avatars."
 - (d) "The bleating of hundreds of thousands of goats incites no fear at all. But a lion's roar is terrifying and can terrify everyone from within."

Q.4. Describe any ONE of the following and highlight its significance. (4)

1. Malji Soni's firm belief in Akshar.

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3. The selfless love experienced by Mangal (POI-PSM) **OR**
4. Selfless love towards youths.. (POI-PSM)

Q.12. Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer. (5)

1. Name two texts that Muktanand Swami wrote for women devotees. (S.R.-III)
2. What did Shriji Maharaj say to Gopalanand Swami in his dream after giving darshan? (S.R.-III)
3. Which are the three things that Shivlal Sheth kept in his shop? (S.R.-III)
4. What did David ask Swamishri? (POI-PSM)
5. What advice did the sick young man get? (POI-PSM)

Q.13. From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct ones. (8)

Note: One or more options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. Which quotes show Parvatbhai's detachment from his body and bodily relations? (S.R. - III)
 - (a) "How can I forsake your darshan for petty loaves?"
 - (b) "That which was to be spilled in the belly was spilled on the steps."
 - (c) "He will now be spared the trouble of ploughing the field."
 - (d) "Cocks and children of farmers never starve. They would fill their bellies even with the grains from the garbage."
2. Kushalkunvarba's love towards Maharaj and his sadhus. (S.R.-III)
 - (a) Immediately four cooks were called.
 - (b) Requested Maharaj to instruct the sadhus not to put water in their bowls.
 - (c) I'll make arrangements for the exemption of the octroi duty of Bharuch.
 - (d) Sadhus eat in plates.
3. Pramukh Swami's devotion to God. (POI-PSM)
 - (a) To see him with God is rare even for the gods.
 - (b) God is always given more importance.
 - (c) Everything is offered at the feet of Maharaj.
 - (d) Humility of the creator of Akshardham.
4. Swamishri greeted by dignitaries of other countries. (POI-PSM)
 - (a) Prince Charles
 - (b) Tony Blair
 - (c) Shri Isa bin Salman al-Khalifa
 - (d) Dr. Kurien

