

SATSANG EXAMINATION (PRE-TEST: 20 JUNE 2004)

TIME: 9:00 A.M. TO 10:30 A.M.

SATSANG PRAVESH - 1

(TOTAL MARKS: 75)

(Note: Figures on the right side of the question indicate the page number of the answer.)

SECTION-1: NILKANTH CHARITRA - 6th Edition, Jan. 2002

- Q.1 For the following, state who is speaking to whom and when the words were spoken. (6 marks)**
- "Come, we shall sail in the lake and enjoy it there." 47
 - "Why did you come here all of a sudden?" 111
 - "This Mulji is my abode called Akshardham." 122
- Q.2 Give reasons for the following. (In 2 to 3 lines.) (6 marks)**
- Nilkanth Varni bestowed the gift of Akshardham to Lakhubai. 89
 - Nilkanth Varni decided to settle in Loj. 98
 - Bijal, the Koli, fell at Nilkanth's feet. 77
- Q.3 Write short notes on any ONE of the following. (In about 15 lines each.) (5 marks)**
- Discourse to Maharaja Ranjit Singh. 33
 - Who has the right to kill? 78
 - Spurns Mahantship. 11
- Q.4 Answer the following questions in one sentence only. (5 marks)**
- What did Narsinh Mehta hear from the voice in the sky at Girnar? 90
 - What did the Mahant of ignorant sadhus say to King Satradharma? 54
 - How many days did Nilkanth stay without food in Surat? 72
 - Where is the main seat of Shrimad Ramanujacharya? 69
 - For what attainment did Nilkanth undertake severe austerities? 26
- Q.5 State the correct answers from the given options. (6 marks)**
- Note: There may be more than one correct option. Marks will be awarded only for all correct options.**
- Nilkanth in Vanshipur 18
 - Nilkanth was served devoutly by the king, queen and their two daughters.
 - Varni would sometimes talk of His own life.
 - Returned after darshan at Kailash.
 - The queen went into a divine trance.
 - Who emerged from the smoke generated by Pibek? 38
 - Kaliya
 - Kalbhairav
 - Kaushik
 - Batukvir
 - Questions asked by Nilkanth to ascetics. 7
 - How will you attain salvation without meeting God in human manifestation?
 - Why have you come here?
 - How will the manifest form of God be attained?
 - Will you attain the manifest form of God?
- Q.6 Fill in the blanks. (4 marks)**
- If He wants to be a part of Satsang, He should cling to the 102
 - yogis were living on Navlakha mountain. 40
 - Shaligram drankgourds of water. 67
 - King was greatly impressed by magnetic personality of Nilkanth Varni in Badrinath. 15

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TO,

Pariksha Dept, (Dt: 20 June 2004. Exam: Satsang Pravesh - 1. Medium: English. Time: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.)

Please note that I have been present personally in the Pre-Test Exam organised by the Satsang Shikshan Pariksha Karyalay, Amdavad. Please note that the following details filled are true.

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Note: Only those students who are present have to fill in this slip and give it to their Exam Supervisor. The slip of only those who are present have to be filled and sent to the Satsang Shikshan Pariksha Karyalay, Amdavad.

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SECTION-2: SATSANG READER-I - 4th Edition, November 1998

Q.7 For the following, state who is speaking to whom and when the words were spoken. (6 marks)

1. "I strongly desire to worship God with all my body and mind." 49
2. "How can he let go this opportunity?" 74
3. "Do not be in a hurry to come to Dham." 12

Q.8 Give reasons for the following. (In 2 to 3 lines.) (4 marks)

1. Shastriji Maharaj returned to his room and at once sat down with a thud. 66
2. Shukmuni had a fever every night. 26

Q.9 From the sentences given below, choose the FIVE correct sentences.

(Write the sentence numbers only.) (5 marks)

Sadguru Brahmanand Swami's service to literature. 13

1. Chhand and chopai were his speciality. 2. I have a bulky body. This length of cloth will not cover my entire body. 3. Do not hurry to come to Dham. 4. There are very few today who are conversant with this style of poetic composition. 5. He has enriched Gujarati literature by his poetic compositions. 6. Maharaj gave him His darshan and showed him a stone quarry. 7. He has composed poems in other languages besides Gujarati. 8. Devanand Swami and some other sadhus were always in his service. 9. He has composed nearly eight thousand kirtans (devotional songs) describing the murti of Maharaj. 10. Continue to spread Maharaj's supremacy as you have been doing upto now. 11. As Maharaj had directed him to construct a mandir at Muli, he soon applied his mind to this work.

Q.10 Answer the following questions in one sentence only. (4 marks)

1. Where had Joban Pagi's terror spread to in those days? 40
2. What lesson did Maharaj give to Jhinabhai? 31
3. Who served Devanand Swami when he fell seriously ill? 18
4. With whom and for how long did Jetha Bhagat associate with in Junagadh? 58

Q.11 Write short notes on any ONE of the following. (In 15 lines.) (5 marks)

1. Divine nectar given by Maharaj to Swami Nirgundas. 62
2. Contribution of Swami Brahmanand in the construction of Amdavad and Vartal mandirs. 8
3. Jhinabhai's attachment to Shriji Maharaj's devotees. 35

Q.12 State whether the following statements are true or false and rewrite the false statements. (4 marks)

1. Ashabhai used to go to Dwarka on every Punam (full-moon day). 69
2. When Devanand Swami passed away to Dham, footprints of fine vermilion powder were seen on the threshold of Kandoi Bhagat's house. 20
3. Khaiya's grandmother said, "The one sitting on the raised seat is a fake Brahman." 8
4. Maharaj went to Khodiyar Mata. 45

SECTION-3: ESSAY

Q.13 Write an essay on any ONE of the following. (In approximately 30 lines.) (15 marks)

1. Record breaking achievements of gaushalas run by BAPS.
2. Rehabilitation of adopted villages.
3. The importance of puja and prayer in our lives.

Note : One essay from the above list of essays and a few questions from the questions given above will be asked in the Final Exam to be held on 18 July 2004.

