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**FYUG Odd Semester Exam., 2024**

**SANSKRIT**

**( 1st Semester )**

Course No. : SANDSC-101T

**( Survey of Sanskrit Literature )**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

**UNIT—I**

1. Answer any two from the following :  $2 \times 2 = 4$

(a) Name the four Vedas. What is the root/  
verb (धातु) in the word 'Veda'?

(b) Name one Brāhmaṇa associated with the  
Yajurveda.

(c) Name one Upaniṣad associated with the  
Rgveda.

2. Discuss the relevance or importance of Vedic  
literature in modern age. 10

**OR**

3. Discuss the society as reflected in the Rgveda. 10

## UNIT—II

4. Answer any two from the following :  $2 \times 2 = 4$
- (a) Who are the two authors of the Sanskrit epics the *Rāmāyaṇa* and the *Mahābhārata*?
- (b) The *Bhagwad Gītā* is the part of which great epic? In which Chapter of this epic does it exist?
- (c) Name two famous Sanskrit literary works based on the *Mahābhārata* or the *Rāmāyaṇa*.

5. Summarize the story of the *Rāmāyaṇa* and discuss its impact on society. 10

OR

6. “गीता सुगीता कर्तव्या किमन्यैः शास्त्रविस्तरैः।”  
Highlight the importance of this saying in our day-to-day lives. 10

## UNIT—III

7. Answer any two from the following :  $2 \times 2 = 4$
- (a) What is the meaning of the word उपनिषद्? Name one famous उपनिषद् associated with either the *R̥gveda* or the *Sāmveda*.
- (b) Who wrote the ‘योगसूत्र’? Name the four Chapters of the योगसूत्रs.
- (c) Who is the founder of अद्वैत वेदान्त (Advaita Vedānta)? Name an important ancient work on Vedānta philosophy.

8. Write a note on योगशास्त्र and the reasons of its rising popularity. 10

OR

9. Write a note on the Vedānta philosophy. 10

## UNIT—IV

10. Answer any two from the following :  $2 \times 2 = 4$
- (a) Name four important Purāṇas.
- (b) The *Bhagwad Purāṇa* describes the life and activities of Śrīkr̥ṣṇa or Śrīrāma.
- (c) The चण्डी or सप्तशती, popularly called देवीमाहात्म्य, is a part of which Purāṇa?

11. Discuss the value of Purāṇas in knowing our ancient civilization. 10

OR

12. Write a detailed note on the *Bhagwad Purāṇa*. 10

## UNIT—V

13. Answer any two from the following :  $2 \times 2 = 4$
- (a) What is another popular name of ‘मनुस्मृति’? How many Chapters are there in ‘मनुस्मृति’?
- (b) In which Chapter of ‘मनुस्मृति’ do we find the ‘राजधर्म’ or duties of a king? Name another Smṛti (स्मृति) literature.
- (c) Who was Kauṭilya?

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14. Discuss the concept of राजधर्म as found in the Manusmṛti. 10

OR

15. Write a note on the importance of Kautilya's Arthaśāstra in present world. 10

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