

**1 SEM TDC SNSH (CBCS) C 2**

**2021**

( Held in January/February, 2022 )

**SANSKRIT**

( Core )

Paper : C-2

**( Critical Survey of Sanskrit Literature )**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

**SECTION—A**

**( Vedic Literature )**

( Marks : 20 )

1. Answer the following questions : 1×2=2

(a) Give a synonymn of 'वेद'.

(b) Write the name of a Brāhmaṇa of the  
R̥gveda.

2. What is 'वेदांग'? What are these? 1+2=3
3. Write a note on the social life during the R̥gvedic period. 8

Or

Give a summary on the subject matter of the Sāmaveda.

4. Write a brief introduction on any one of the following : 7

Brahmaṇa; Upaniṣad; Āraṇyaka.

SECTION—B

( Rāmāyaṇa )

( Marks : 15 )

5. Answer the following questions : 1×2=2

(a) How many Kāṇḍas of the Rāmāyaṇa are there?

(b) What is the name of the First Kāṇḍa of the Rāmāyaṇa?

6. Describe the views of different scholars regarding the date of the Rāmāyaṇa. 6

7. Discuss the *Rāmāyaṇa*'s influence on the later Sanskrit literature. 7

Or

Why is the *Rāmāyaṇa* called 'आदिकाव्य'? Discuss.

SECTION—C

( *Mahābhārata* )

( Marks : 15 )

8. Answer the following questions :

(a) Who wrote the *Mahābhārata*? How many पर्वs are there in the *Mahābhārata*? Write the name of any four पर्वs in it. 1+1+2=4

(b) How many stages are there in the development of the *Mahābhārata*? What are they? 1+2=3

9. Discuss the *Mahābhārata* as a source text and its influence on Indian culture. 8

Or

Write a note on any two Sanskrit dramas which are based on the *Mahābhārata*.

SECTION—D

( Purāṇas )

( Marks : 10 )

10. Answer the following questions :

(a) How many Purāṇas are there? 1

(b) Name any two उपपुराणस. 2

11. Discuss the characteristics of the Purāṇas. 7

Or

Write a note on the historical importance of the Purāṇas.

SECTION—E

( Darśana and Sāhityaśāstra )

( Marks : 20 )

12. Answer the following questions : 1×4=4

(a) Derive the word 'दर्शन'.

(b) What are the two broad divisions of Indian Philosophy?

(c) Who is the propounder of Rasa School in Indian poetics?

(d) How many Rītis are there?

13. What do you mean by समानतन्त्र दर्शन? Write an introductory note on न्याय or वैशेषिक philosophy.

2+6=8

14. Write a brief concept on any two of the following :

4×2=8

Dhvani; Aucitya; Vakrokti; Alamkāra.

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