3 (Sem-1/CBCS) SKT HC 2

2020

(Held in April-May, 2021)

SANSKRIT

(Honours)

Paper: SKT-HC-1026

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

UNIT—I

(Vedic Literature)

(*Marks* : 15)

- 1. Answer the following questions: $1 \times 3 = 3$
 - (a) What is the meaning of the term 'Veda'?
 - (b) ____ Samhitās are the prayer books for the Adhvaryu priest.

(Fill in the blank)

(c) Vedāngas are of six / seven / eight in number.

(Choose the correct answer)

1-21**/43** (Turn Over)

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2. Answer the following in brief:
Which Veda is considered as the oldest? Name the Brāhmanas attached to this Veda.

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- 3. Give the answer of the following questions (any two): $5\times 2=10$
 - (a) Explain the meaning of the term 'Upaniṣad'. Name the ten principal Upaniṣads.
 - (b) Discuss briefly the significance of the Āranyaka literature.
 - (c) Write a short note on the Vedāngas.

UNIT—II

(Rāmāyaņa)

(*Marks* : 15)

- **4.** Answer the following questions: $1 \times 3 = 3$
 - (a) Name one drama on which the influence of the *Rāmāyaṇa* is found.
 - (b) What are the two appended books of the Rāmāyaṇa?
 - (c) What is the name of the fifth book of the Rāmāyaṇa?

1-21**/43** (Continued)

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5.	Answer the following in brief:						2
	Who book		Rāmacaritamānas?	What	type	of	

- 6. Give the answer of the following questions (any one):
 - (a) Discuss the Rāmāyaṇa as an Ādikāvya.
 - (b) Write a note on the subject matter of the Rāmāyaṇa.

UNIT—III

(Mahābhārata)

(*Marks* : 15)

- 7. Answer the following question:
 What is considered as an appendix to the Mahābhārata?
- **8.** Answer the following in brief: $2 \times 2 = 4$
 - (a) What are the three stages of the *Mahābhārata* story? Write down the number of verses that each of these stages contain.
 - (b) What is the other name of the *Mahābhārata*? Why is it called so?

9. Give the answer of the following questions (any *two*): $5\times2=10$

- (a) Why is the Mahābhārata styled as 'इतिहास'? Discuss briefly.
- (b) Write a short note on the age of the Mahābhārata.
- (c) Discuss briefly the importance of the Mahābhārata as a source of subsequent Sanskrit Kāvyas.

UNIT—IV

(Purānas)

(*Marks* : 15)

- **10.** Answer the following questions: $1 \times 3 = 3$
 - (a) How many Upapurānas are there?
 - (b) _____ is one of the characteristic features of the Purānas.

(Fill in the blank)

(c) Mārkaṇḍeya Purāṇa is a Sāttvika / Rājasika / Tāmasika Purāṇa.

(Choose the correct answer)

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(6)

- 11. Answer the following in brief:Name four Sāttvika Purānas.
- **12.** Give the answer of the following questions (any *one*):
 - (a) Discuss the cultural and historical importance of the *Kālikāpurāṇa*.
 - (b) Write a general note on the characteristic features of the Purāṇas.

UNIT-V

(General Introduction to Vyākaraṇa, Darśana and Sāhityaśāstra)

(Marks: 20)

- 13. Give the answer of the following questions (any two): $10 \times 2 = 20$
 - (a) Write a note on the schools of Sanskrit Grammar.
 - (b) Write down the basic principles of the Cārvāka Philosophy.

- (c) Write a brief note on the Rasa school of Indian poetics.
- (d) Write short notes on:
 - (i) Astādhyāyī
 - (ii) Mahābhāṣya

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