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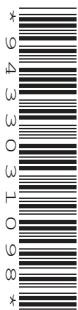
**SANSKRIT**

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Paper 2 Literature and Epic Civilisation

**May/June 2023**

**1 hour 30 minutes**



You must answer on the answer booklet/paper.

You will need: Answer booklet/paper

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer **all** questions.
- If you have been given an answer booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on all the work you hand in.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- At the end of the examination, fasten all your work together. Do **not** use staples, paper clips or glue.

**INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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## 1 Mahābhārata (adapted text)

Read the following Sanskrit passage. Do **not** write out a translation. Answer **all** the questions. Your answers should be in English, with Sanskrit names in transliteration.

व्याधस्य शरः कृष्णम् प्राविशत् । कृष्णम् आगम्य व्याधः 1  
 दुःखेन अक्रोशत् हे कृष्ण माम् व्यापदय इति । कृष्णः तु 2  
 अवदत् हे व्याध अभीतः भव । त्वम् स्वर्गम् गमिष्यसि इति । 3  
 तदा व्याधः स्वर्गम् अगच्छत् । कृष्णस्य सूतः तत्र आगच्छत् । 4  
 सूतः कृष्णाय अनमत् । कृष्णः तम् अवदत् उदानीम् लोकात् 5  
 गच्छामि । संतुष्टः भव । 6

- (a) What entered Kṛṣṇa? (line 1) [2]
- (b) Translate ‘*vyādhah duḥkhena akrośat he kṛṣṇa mām vyāpādaya iti*’. (lines 1 and 2) [5]
- (c) In line 3, what instruction does Kṛṣṇa give to the hunter? [2]
- (d) Where will the hunter go, according to Kṛṣṇa? (line 3) [1]
- (e) Translate ‘*kṛṣṇasya sūtaḥ tatra āgacchat*’. (line 4) [3]
- (f) What does Kṛṣṇa say he is finally doing? (lines 5 and 6) [2]

[Total: 15]

## 2 Mahābhārata – Bhagavad Gītā

Read the following Sanskrit verses. Do **not** write out a translation. Answer **all** the questions. Your answers should be in English, with Sanskrit names in transliteration.

योगस्थः कुरु कर्माणि सङ्गं त्यक्ता धनञ्जय ।	1
सिद्ध्यसिद्ध्योः समो भूत्वा समत्वं योग उच्यते ॥	2
यस्य सर्वे समारम्भाः कामसङ्कल्पवर्जिताः ।	3
ज्ञानाग्निदण्डकर्माणं तमाहुः पण्डितं बुधाः ॥	4
यदादित्यगतं तेजो जगद्वासयतेऽखिलम् ।	5
यच्चन्द्रमस्मि यच्चाग्नौ तत्तेजो विद्धि मामकम् ॥	6

*Chap. 2, verse 48; Chap. 4, verse 19; Chap. 15, verse 12*

- (a) How, according to line 1, should Arjuna perform actions? [2]
- (b) How is yoga defined in line 2? [1]
- (c) Translate lines 3 and 4. [6]
- (d) In lines 5 and 6, which three worldly lights are said to be Kṛṣṇa's? [3]
- (e) In line 2, Kṛṣṇa advises Arjuna to be the same in success and failure. Is this good advice in your view? [3]

[Total: 15]

## 3 Sanskrit Epic Civilisation

(a) Give two details for each of the following:

- (i) *samsāra* [2]
- (ii) *sattva* [2]
- (iii) *buddhi* [2]
- (iv) *mahāyuga* [2]

(b) The *kṛtayuga* is the Golden Age. Give the Sanskrit names for the other three ages. [3]

(c) Who was Vyāsa, and what does his name mean? [2]

(d) Briefly explain each of the following terms:

- (i) *upaniṣad* [2]
- (ii) *vyākaraṇa* [2]
- (iii) *dhātu* [2]
- (iv) *purāṇa* [2]

(e) One of the five sacrifices is the sacrifice to the gods. Name in English the other four traditional types of sacrifice. [4]

(f) Write a short essay in English, of about 100 words, on one of these two topics:

EITHER

- (i) Discuss the range of virtues spoken of in the Sanskrit scriptures, and say whether you think these virtues are relevant today.

OR

- (ii) Discuss the system of *varṇa* (caste, occupation). Do you think this system is valid in modern times? [10]

[Total: 35]

## 4 Hitopadeśa

Read the following Sanskrit passage. Do **not** write out a translation. Answer **all** the questions. Your answers should be in English, with Sanskrit names in transliteration.

*A traveller follows a tiger's advice.*

दातव्यमिति यदानं दीयतेऽनुपकारिणे । 1  
 देशे काले च पात्रे च तदानं मात्त्विकं स्मृतम् ॥ 2  
 तदत्र सरसि स्नात्वा सुवर्णकङ्कणमिदं प्रतिगृहाण । ततो जात- 3  
 विश्वासो यावदसौ सरः स्नातुं प्रविष्टस्तावदेव महापङ्के निमग्नः 4  
 पलायितुमद्धमः । पङ्के पतितं दृष्ट्वा व्याघ्रोऽवदत् । अहह । महापङ्के 5  
 पतितोऽस्मि । अतस्त्वामुत्थापयामि । इत्युक्ता शनैः शनैरुपगम्य 6  
 तेन व्याघ्रेण धृतः स पान्थोऽचिन्तयत् । 7  
 न धर्मशास्त्रं पठतीति कारणं न चापि वेदाध्ययनं दुरात्मनः । 8  
 स्वभाव रुवान्त तथातिरिच्यते यथा प्रकृत्या मधुरं गवां पयः ॥ 9

(a) What are the three aspects of a virtuous gift? (lines 1 and 2) [3]

(b) Translate 'tad atra sarasi snātvā suvarṇakaṅkaṇam idam pratigrhāṇa'. (line 3) [6]

(c) (i) Translate 'jātaviśvāsaḥ'. (lines 3 and 4) [2]

(ii) Name the type of compound. [1]

(d) Why was the traveller unable to escape? (line 4) [2]

(e) What help does the tiger offer the traveller? (line 6) [2]

(f) How does the tiger approach the traveller? (line 6) [1]

(g) Lines 8 and 9:  
 (i) Outline the content of these lines. [4]  
 (ii) Explain why this is significant in the story. [4]

[Total: 25]



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