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(Held in January/February, 2022)

SANSKRIT

(Core)

Paper : C-11

(Vedic Literature)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

SECTION—A

(**Saṁhitā and Brāhmaṇa**)

(Marks : 44)

UNIT—I

(**R̥gveda**)

1. Give short answers of the following questions :

1×5=5

(a) Derive the word 'Veda'.

(b) Who is the Ṛṣi of Agnisūkta (Rv.1.1)?

(c) Hiranyagarbhasūkta is also known as _____.
(Fill in the blank)

(d) “पुराणी देवि युवतिः”—Who is referred to here?

(e) How many Rks are there in the Akṣasūkta of Rv.10.34?

2. Answer any two of the following :

(a) “वाजेन वाजिनि”—Who has been addressed here? To which मण्डल of the Rgveda this Sūkta belongs? Who is the Rṣi of this Sūkta? What is the meaning of the word ‘वाजेन’? $1+1+1+1=4$

(b) “य आत्मदा बलदा...” For whom these adjectives are used? Write the meanings of these two. $1+3=4$

(c) Give Sanskrit equivalent for the following (any four) : $1 \times 4 = 4$

ईड्यः; नाकः; क्रन्दसी; रयि; जाया; मिमेथ;
कितवः; दिवेऽदिवे।

3. Write a note on the characteristic features of Agni as found in the Rgveda.

4. Translate into Assamese or English any two of the following Mantras :

4×2=8

(a) अग्निर्होता कविऽक्रतुः
सत्यश्चित्रश्रवस्तमः ।
देवो देवेभिरागमत् ॥

(b) हिरण्यगर्भः समवर्तताग्रे
भूतस्य जातः पतिरेक आसीत् ।
सं दाधार पृथिवीं द्यामुतेमं
कस्यै देवाय हविषा विधेम ॥

(c) उषः प्रतीची भुवनानि विश्वतोर्ध्वा तिष्ठस्यमृतस्य केतुः ।
समानमर्थं चरणीयमाना चक्रमिव नव्यस्या ववृत्स्व ॥

(d) न मा मिमैथु न जिहीलें एषा
शिवा सखिभ्य उत मंह्यमासीत् ।
अक्षस्याहमेकपरस्य हेतो-
रनुव्रतामप जायामरोधम् ॥

UNIT—II

(Yajurveda-Śivasamkalpasūtra)

5. How many divisions are there in the Yajurveda? What are they? To which division does the Śivasamkalpasūtra belong? What is the last Pāda of each Mantra in this hymn?

1+1+1+3=6

Or

Write the nature of mind described in the Śivasamkalpasūtra.

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UNIT—III

(Atharvaveda-Sāmmanasyasūkta)

6. Write very short answers of the following : $1 \times 2 = 2$

(a) Who is the R̥ṣi of the Sāmmanasyasūkta of the Atharvaveda?

(b) Bhūmisūkta belongs to the _____ Saṁhitā of the Atharvaveda.

(Fill in the blank)

7. Translate into Assamese or English any two of the following Mantras : $4 \times 2 = 8$

(a) अनुव्रतः पितुः पुत्रो मात्रं भवतु संमनाः।
जाया पत्ये मधुमतीं वार्षं वदतु शान्तिवाम्॥

(b) सत्यं बृहद्दतमुग्रं दीक्षा तपो
ब्रह्म यज्ञं पृथिवीं धारयन्ति।
सा नो भूतस्य भव्यस्य पत्न्युरुं
लोकं पृथिवी नः कृणोतु॥

(c) समानी प्रपा सह वोचभागः समाने योक्त्रे सह वो युनज्मि।
सम्यञ्चोर्ग्रिं संपर्य्यतारा नाभिमिवाभितः॥

SECTION—B

(History of Vedic Literature)

(Marks : 20)

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

(a) What is त्रयी?

(b) How many मण्डलs are there in the Rgveda?

9. Write a note on the education system prevailed in the Rgvedic society. 10

Or

Draw a pen-picture of the society in the age of the Rgveda.

10. What is वेदाङ्ग? What are these? 1+2=3

11. Write a short note on any one of the following : 5

बाजसनेयीसंहिता; ऐतरेय ब्राह्मण; अथर्ववेद; तैत्तिरीयसंहिता;
आरण्यक।

SECTION—C

(Īsopaniṣad)

(Marks : 16)

12. (a) ईशा वास्यमिदं सर्वं यत् किञ्च जगत्यां जगत्।
तेन त्यक्तेन भुञ्जीथा मा गृधः कस्यस्विद्धनम्॥

Express the idea contained in the above
Mantra from the Īsopaniṣad.

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Or

- (b) विद्यां चाविद्यां च यस्तद्वेदोभयं सह।
अविद्यया मृत्युं तीर्त्वा विद्ययाऽमृतमश्नुते॥

What are विद्या and अविद्या mentioned in the
above Mantra? How can the Self attain
immortality (अमृतत्व) through विद्या? Discuss.

2+6=8

13. Translate into Assamese or English any two of
the following :

- (a) कुर्वन्नेवेह कर्माणि जिजीविषेच्छतं समाः।
एवं त्वयि नान्यथेतोऽस्ति न कर्म लिप्यते नरे॥

4×2=8

- (b) तदेजति तन्नैजति तदूरे तद्वन्तिके।
तदन्तरस्य सर्वस्य तदु सर्वस्यास्य बाह्यतः॥

(c) यस्मिन् सर्वाणि भूतान्यात्मैवाभूद्विजानतः।
तत्र को मोहः कः शोक एकत्वमनुपश्यतः ॥
