2007

SANSKRIT

PAPER—III

Full Marks: 100

Time: 4 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

First Half

1. Narrate the Dialogue hymns of the Rig Veda.

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Or

Write the contents of the Yajurveda and their importance in the Indian religion.

Or

What are the *Vedāngas*? Discuss the importance of the six categories of Vedangas in the history of old Sanskrit literature.

2. What do you know about the allegorical interpretation of Valmiki's *Rāmayana*. 17

Or

Who is the author of Māhabharata? Discuss about the arrangement of the Māhabharata.

Or

Define the term 'Purāṇa'. Discuss in details the characteristics of the Purāṇas.

- 3. Write short notes on any two of the following: 8×2
 - (i) Brhadāranyaka; (ii) Sāmaveda, (iii) Brhaddevata, (iv) Sarvanukramani, (v) Agnipurāna, (vi) Matsyapurāna,

(vii) Yogabāsistha Rāmāyana.

Second Half

1. Answer any two questions:

17×2

- (a) Briefly discuss the principal theories regarding the origin of Sanskrit drama indicating your own preference.
- (b) What do you mean by Lyrical poem. Is the Sanskrit literature rich in this sphere? Discuss the growth and development of Lyrical poem in Sanskrit.
- (c) Give an account of the prose romance in Sanskrit.
- (d) Write an exhaustive note on Post-Kalidasa mahakavyas in Sanskrit.
- (e) Write a critical note on the growth and development of Fable literature in Sanskrit.
- 2. Answer any one question:

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- (a) Give an informative note on Pāṇinian School of Sanskrit Grammar.
- (b) Write what you know about the development of medical science in ancient India.
- (c) Write notes on any two of the following: 8×2
 - (i) Raghuvams'a.
 - (ii) Sariputra-prakarana.
 - (iii) Campū-kāvya.
 - (iv) Müdrārāksasa.
 - (v) Mahāviracarita.
 - (vi) Brahmasphuta-sidhānta.