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Hindu Religious Education Paper 1

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(a) Infinite/limitless. Timeless. Self-existing. $(4 \times 1 = 4 \text{ marks})$ Formless: has no form. (b) It is a form of worship. It is a way of communicating with Paramatma. It is a way of showing total devotion to Paramatma. Devotees feel the presence/closeness of Paramatma. It is a way of praising Paramatma. It is a way of thanksgiving to Paramatma. It is a way of expressing love and faith in Paramatma. It brings the devotees together/unity in worship. $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ marks})$ (c) Ambaji is a consort of Lord Shiva. She protects the righteous. She destroys evil. She kills demons. She removes vices, for example: anger, jealousy. She gives inner strength/power to devotees to overcome vices. She gives motherly love. She inspires women/females to face challenges of life with courage. $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ marks})$ 3. (a) Vaman was born in answer to the prayer of Aditi and Sage Kashyap to deliver the Devas, heaven and earth from the oppression of King Bali. Vaman went to King Bali's yajna dressed as a Brahmin and was welcomed by Bali. King Bali asked Vaman to name his dakshina. Vaman asked for 3 strides of land which Bali granted. As soon as the dakshina was granted, Vaman changed from a dwarf into a gigantic In the first stride, Vaman covered the heavens. In the second stride, he covered the earth. In the third stride, he put his foot on Bali's head and pushed Bali to the netherland/ underworld/Patal. Vaman made Bali the ruler of the Patal. The third step symbolised the removal of ego of Bali. $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ marks})$ (b) Ahimsa is non-violence/not hurting all living beings, big or small. We should not hurt anyone by our speech or by uttering harsh/abusive words or gossip. Not to hurt through thoughts - not even think of harming others. Not to hurt through actions - not causing actual physical harm or killing any animals. Not to hurt through sight - not to show hatred/not to show envy/jealousy. Non-retaliation/not to take revenge. $(4 \times 1 = 4 \text{ marks})$ (c) Ramanujacharya propagated Bhakti Marga. He advocated performance of puja, jaap, visiting temples, singing of bhajans. Did not accept caste system/preached against caste system. Led people in chanting of Mantra.

merges in Paramatma. Wrote commentaries on Brahma Sutra. Wrote Vedantasara, Vedant Sangraha, Vedant Deep. He established the Vaishnav sect/Sri Sampradaya. Travelled all over India to spread Bhakti Yoga. $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ marks})$ 3. (a) Annamaya. Manomaya. Vijnanamaya. Anandmaya. $(4 \times 1 = 4 \text{ marks})$ (b) Pranayama is one of the limbs of Ashtanga Yoga of Pitanjali. Helps to regulate breathing. It detoxifies the body. Improves blood circulation. Provides oxygen to every part of the body. Helps purify the blood. Relaxes body and mind. Helps in concentration during meditation. Helps to maintain good health. Instils peace of mind. $(9 \times 1 = 9 \text{ marks})$ (c) Reading of scriptures. Contemplating on scriptures. Absorbing the teachings from scriptures. Listening to discourses by scholars. Sharing of knowledge. Holding discussions. Training teachers to spread knowledge of scriptures. $(7 \times 1 = 7 \text{ marks})$ 4. (a) Kalpasutra contains stories of the 24 Tirthankars. It is a source of spiritual knowledge. Contains the principles of Jainism. Advocates way of life for lay people, monks and nuns, Shravak and Sadhu. Gives extreme mental and physical discipline for spiritual development. Acknowledges existence of enlightened beings. Shows way to achieve Keval Jnana/Nirvana. Special reverence is shown to it during Paryushan. $(7 \times 1 = 7 \text{ marks})$ (b) Guru Granth Sahib is treated as a living Guru. It is treated with royalty. It is woken up every morning. It is laid on a special platform with a canopy over it. A chamar is waved by a person/ a fan is kept near it to ward off insects. Granth presides over all Sikh ceremonies-birth, marriage, initiation, death, Dastar Bandhan. It is covered with rumala (silken cloth). All devotees bow to Granth. Some Sikhs perform pradakshina by going round it. It is offered karah prasad (food). It is taken to a room for rest at night. $(7 \times 1 = 7 \text{ marks})$ (c) Selflessness/generosity: He sacrificed his own happiness for the sake of his father's

Advocated Advait philosophy. Paramatma is only One. He is indivisible. Atma

happiness by remaining a bachelor all his life.

Wisdom: Gave discourses to Arjun and his brothers on the duties of a ruler, duties of subjects to the state, warfare, judiciary and civil duties. Patriotism: Sided with Kauravas who were the rulers even when they were wrong. Loyalty: Remained loyal to the rulers and respected their authority. Moral strength: Resisted Ambika's advances for marriage. Steadfastness: Kept his vow of not to marry as promised to his step mother's father (fisherman). Respect: Respected all women; did not raise any weapon against them (Shikandi). Forbearance: He stayed on a bed of arrows for six months to work out his Karmas $(6 \times 1 = 6 \text{ marks})$ and shed off his tainted blood. Dhruti: capacity to sustain. Kshama: forgiveness. Dama: self-control. Asteva: non-stealing. Saucham: purity in thought and action. Indriva Nigraha: control of sense organs. Dhee: wisdom. Vidva: spiritual knowledge. Satva: truthfulness. $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ marks})$ Akrodha: absence of anger. He guides people/gives guidance and counselling. Studies and teaches scriptures. Organises religious activities. Serves community by doing charity work. Shows importance of simplicity in life. Acquires and shares knowledge from and with visiting persons. Explains the meaning and importance of rites/rituals and religious symbols. Keeps tradition /cultural knowledge alive. Practises/preaches importance of yoga/meditation. Serves as a link between the past, present and future generations. $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ marks})$ Nyaya. Vaisheshika. Sankhya. $(4 \times 1 = 4 \text{ marks})$ Purva Mimansa. Brings a person closer to Parmatma. Activates purity, piety, compassion.

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- Activates universal love.
- Reduces vices.
- Increases virtues.
- Develops faith in God.
- Gives inner strength to face challenges.
- Brings spiritual upliftment.
- Brings inner peace and bliss.

 $(8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ marks})$

(c)

- Non-stealing/appeals to people not to steal and not to be dishonest in their dealings.
- Not using anything which belongs to others.
- Not coveting others' things/possessions/wealth/property.
- Practise simplicity in life not to accumulate wealth.
- Condemn corruption and other vices in the society.
- Pay rates and taxes.

- Do civil duties faithfully.
- Be content and satisfied with what you have.
- Be authentic/genuine not to steal ideas.
- Not to take credit for what you have not done.
- Obedience to laws of land/be law-abiding citizens.
- Accept punishment for misdeeds/disobeying the law. (4 x 2 = 8 marks)