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UG/3rd Sem/SANH-SEC-T-03/25

U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2025

SANSKRIT

[Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)]

Course Code : SANH-SEC-T-03

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Full Marks : 35

Time : 1½ Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their
own words as far as practicable.*

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Transcription work must be done with Pencil only.

1. Answer any five of the following questions either in **Bengali** or in **Sanskrit** or in **English**. Transcriptions must be performed with **Pencil** only. 1×5=5
 - a) Name any one foreign scholar who has described his thoughts on the antiquity of writing of India in his account.
 - b) How many scripts are furnished in the Buddhist text of 'Lalitavistara'?
 - c) In which year the decipherment of the Early Brāhmī Script happened?
 - d) Name any one Indian Scholar who suggested that the Early Brāhmī Script had an indigenous origin.

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- e) Find out the Early Brāhmī 'द' from the following letters (Use Pencil Only):

४, ५, ६, ७

- f) Cite any **one** Devanāgarī equivalent of the following Early Brāhmī letters (**Use Pencil Only**):

X or 6

- g) Cite any **one** Early Brāhmī equivalent of the following Devanāgarī letters (**Use Pencil Only**):

क्ष or म्य

- h) Transcribe any one Devanāgarī word into Early Brāhmī (Use Pencil Only):

पुडनगलते or पियदसि

2. Answer any **two** of the following questions either in **Bengali** or in **Sanskrit** or in **English**. Transcriptions must be performed with **pencil** only. 5×2=10

- a) Write a short note on the accounts of Abu Rayhan Al-Biruni as an evidence to the antiquity of Writing in India.
- b) Furnish the Early Brāhmī letter 'घ' with the vowel signs आ (ā) इ (i) ई (ī) उ (u) ए (e) and ओ (o) [With Pencil Only]

- c) Transcribe the following text from the **Early Brāhmī Script** either to the **Devanāgarī Script** or the **Roman Script** with necessary **diacritics (Use Pencil Only)**:

[illegible]

- d) Transcribe the following text from the Devanāgarī Script to the Early Brāhmī Script (Use Pencil Only):

अतनआगाच महीयिते हिदबुधेजाते शक्यमुनीति
सिलाविगडभीचा कालापितं सिलाथभेच उसपापिते.

3. Answer any two of the following questions either in Bengali or in Sanskrit or in English. Transcriptions must be made with Pencil only. $10 \times 2 = 20$

- a) How many initial vowels are found in the Early Brāhmī Alphabet? Furnish a few mirror-images of the letters of the said alphabet. Who succeeded first to decipher the Early Brāhmī Script? What is the writing direction of this Script? Write a short note on the palaeographic features of this script with citations.

$$2+2+1+1+4=10$$

- b) Write an elaborate note on the different theories regarding the origin of the Early Brāhmī Script.
- c) Transcribe the following text from the **Early Brāhmī Script** either to the **Devanāgarī Script** or the **Roman Script** with necessary diacritics (Use Pencil Only):

ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय
 ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय
 ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय
 ॐ नमो भगवते वासुदेवाय

- d) Transcribe the following text from the **Devanāgarī Script** to the **Early Brāhmī Script** (Use Pencil Only):

देवानां पियो पियोदसि राजा यसो च कीति च न महाथा च हा मज्जते
 अजत तदाप्तनो दिजाश च मे जनो धंसुसुसते धंमवुतं च अनुविधिषते
 एतकाश देवानं पियो पियदसि राजा यसो व किति व इच्छति ।