2011

M.A. Part-I Examination

SANSKRIT

PAPER-III

Full Marks: 100

Time: 4 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Write the answers to questions of each half in separate books.

FIRST HALF

(Marks: 50)

 Write a comprehensive note on the Dialogue Hymns of the Rgveda.

Or

Give a brief account of the Arharvaveda commenting on whether it should be included on the Trayi or not.

Or

Discuss the fundamental doctrines of the Upanisads.

2. Give an account of the ancient Indian society as reflected in the Rāmāyana.

Or

Critically assess the influence of the Mahabharata on classical Sanskrit works.

Or

Define the term 'Purana'. Discuss in details the characteristics of the Puranas.

3. Write short notes on any four of the following taking two from each group: 5×4

Group - A

- (a) Aitareya Brahmana;
- (b) Yajurveda;
- (c) Āranyaka;
- (d) Kathopanisad.

Group — B

- (a) Sundarakānda of Rāmāyana;
- (b) Harivams'a;
- (c) Bhagvadgita:
- (d) Matsyapurana.

SECOND HALF

(Marks: 50)

Answer Q. No. 6 and any two questions from the rest.

- Write an exhaustive note on the Historical Kavyas in Sanskrit.
- **2.** Write a critical note on the growth and development of Sanskrit lyric poetry.
- **3.** Write a short essay on the Bhāṣa problem on Sanskrit literature.
- **4.** Write a note on the literary values of important Sanskrit inscriptions.

- Give an account of the Scientific Writings in Sanskrit.
- 6. Write short notes on any three of the following: 3×6
 - (i) As'vaghosa;
 - (ii) Harsacaritam;
 - (iii) Gitagovindam;
 - (iv) Ramayana Campu;
 - (v) Panchatantram;
 - (vi) Manusmriti.