



BAL SATSANG EXAMS
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BAL SATSANG - 2 : FINAL PAPER

Sunday, 4th March 2012

Time: 9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

Total Marks: 100

Q.1 Fill in the blank space with the appropriate word from the parenthesis [10]

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| 1. Jinabhai's | 2. Gunatitanand Swami | 3. violent | 4. Sakarba | 5. 19 |
| 6. Motibhai | 7. five | 8. Shravan's | 9. Akshardham | 10. Mahuva |

Q.2 In the following sentences place a (✓) next to those which are correct and a (X) next to those which are incorrect. ✓X [20]

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| 1. X | 2. X | 3. X | 4. ✓ | 5. ✓ | 6. X | 7. ✓ | 8. X | 9. ✓ | 10. X |
| 11. ✓ | 12. X | 13. X | 14. ✓ | 15. ✓ | 16. ✓ | 17. X | 18. ✓ | 19. ✓ | 20. ✓ |

Q.3 Write the number of the correct answer in the appropriate box. [40]

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| 1. 3 | 2. 1 | 3. 2 | 4. 3 | 5. 1 | 6. 2 | 7. 3 | 8. 1 | 9. 2 | 10. 3 |
| 11. 1 | 12. 2 | 13. 2 | 14. 1 | 15. 2 | 16. 1 | 17. 3 | 18. 2 | 19. 3 | 20. 1 |
| 21. 3 | 22. 1 | 23. 2 | 24. 1 | 25. 3 | 26. 1 | 27. 3 | 28. 1 | 29. 2 | 30. 1 |
| 31. 2 | 32. 3 | 33. 1 | 34. 3 | 35. 2 | 36. 2 | 37. 3 | 38. 1 | 39. 2 | 40. 3 |

Q.4 Complete the following Swamini Vatos. [10]

1. A to Bhagwan jeva Sadhu chhe, bawa ke vairagi nathi.
2. Satya, heet ne priya evu vachan bolvu ne upeksha rahit bolvu pan agrathi vachan kahevu nahi.
3. Bhagwan jivna guna samu jota nathi, te koi jiv Bhagwanni smruti karine em bole je, "Hu(n) gunegar chhu," to tena guna Bhagwan maf kare chhe.
4. Jo mota purush male to teno sang karvo, nikar utartano sang to karvo ja nahi.
5. Jena guru Akshar hoy te Akshardham ma lai jay ne Purushottam ne melve.

Q.5 Complete the unfinished kirtan / shloka / ashtaka. [10]

1. Nānā nānā bāl ame, motā motā bol;
Swāmi mātē jivshu ame, e amāro kol..Swāminā 1
Sevā karshu, hoshe hoshe, saune vhālā thāshu;
Kām karshu sārā sārā, satsangne dipāvshu...Swāminā 2
2. Sarvetra sukhinah santu sarve santu nirāmayaha,
Sarve bhadraṇi pashyantu mā kaschit dukh māpnuyāt.
3. Suran puran ne bhāji kārelā, Pāpad vadi vaghāri;
Vantāk vālolna shāk karya, Me to cholāfali chhamkāri...māre 1
Kaju kamodnā bhāt karya, Me to dāl kari bahu sāri;
Limbu kākdinā lejo athānā, Kadhi kari chhe Kathiyāvādi...māre 2

4. Nathi amāri pās ho Bhagwan, bhāt bhātnā fulo;
Pan urni bagiomā khilyā chhe, bhaktibhāvnā fulo;
E fulone māni lejo, kumālā hraday amārā...ame 1
Bholā thaine karie ame to, bhāt bhātni bhulo;
Pan tujne na bhulie hardam, amo chadāvie fulo;
E fulomā mukie ame to, hardam prān amārā...ame 2
5. Ati manoharam sarva sundaram, tilaka lakshanam chanchalekshanam;
vibudh vanditam Swāmi Nāth te, vapurihāstu no nitya darshane.

Q.6 Write short notes on any ONE of the following.

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1. Pleased with Children

Pramukh Swami Maharaj loves kids. In India or abroad he never forgets them.

Once Pramukh Swami was travelling from Surat to Bharuch. On the way there were some devotees waiting to garland him. In this crowd there was a handicapped boy. He was sitting on the ground.

As Swami's car stopped, the devotees garlanded Swami and bowed down. Swami's eyes fell upon the handicapped child. He got out of the car and sat beside the child. The child was extremely happy. Swami talked with him, applied a red kumkum mark on his forehead and gave him holy water for bettering his health.

Swami is such a person that he becomes a child with a child.

Even in the foreign countries, kids are crazy after Pramukh Swami Maharaj. They would come again and again for Swami's darshan.

In South Africa there is a city named Durban. There, two boys used to come regularly for Swami's darshan.

One day one boy did not come. Not seeing the other boy, Swami asked, "Vijay! Why hasn't Devesh come today?"

Swami is so intimate with the children that he knows them by their name.

Vijay said, "Bapa, today he has gone to meet his friends."

Swami laughed and said, "Then am I not his friend? Tell him to come and meet me as well."

Swamishri is a friend of all kids. Who wouldn't like such a friend? Let us be his friend forever.

2. A Brother and Two Sisters

The king of Gadhada – Dada Khachar – had two sisters: Jivuba and Laduba.

Both of them were married. But they had little attachment for worldly desires.

From their very childhood they had great devotion for Maharaj.

They had total faith in Maharaj and acted according to Maharaj's wish.

All day these sisters spent their time in preparing food and serving the devotees that came to Gadhada to have Maharaj's darshan. They saw to it that everyone was looked after.

They also devoted their time in preaching to woman. They had made many women sat-sangi.

One day Maharaj told Dada Khachar, "You have so much land. Why don't you give it to

your sisters?”

“Very well, Maharaj,” Dada Khachar agreed.

Dada Khachar transferred all the land in the name of his two sisters. Then Maharaj said, “Dada! Now what will you do?”

“I’ll find job somewhere,” Dada Khachar replied.

At the time Maharaj called the two sisters. He said, “Who will look after your land. You’ll need a clever person to handle the property.”

“Do you have anyone in mind?” the sisters asked.

“Why not Dada Khachar?” Maharaj replied.

He told Dada Khachar, “If you want a job. Why don’t you look after the sisters property?”

“Very well Maharaj,” Dada Khachar replied.

And so the feudal king became a servant.

A year passed. Dada Khachar looked after the property and dealt with the government taxes.

Then one day Maharaj called the sisters. He said, “What do you need the land for anyway? Give it back to Dada Khachar”!

The sisters agreed immediately.

Such were the sisters and their brother. They did not have lust for land. They were detached from all worldly possessions. Their mind was always in Maharaj and nowhere else. Whether they gained the land or lost it, everything was equal to them.

Dada Khachar had placed all his properties in the service of Maharaj. When Maharaj wanted to build a mandir of Gopanathji in Gadhada, Dada Khachar gave his darbar to build a mandir. Maharaj built a beautiful mandir there.

Such was the devotion.

They had true love and absolute faith in Maharaj.

Such was Maharaj. He tested his devotees of faith and love. He strengthened their lives in God.

3. A Handful of Service

Yogiji Maharaj used to do a lot of seva. From early morning till late night he was involved in the service. Even on days of fast he performed this service. Every third day Yogiji Maharaj used to fast.

He used to cook food for the sadhus and devotees. He would make rotlas and at a time will roast them on two pans. While cooking he would recite bhajans – devotional songs. He would serve the sadhus personally and eat only after everyone had eaten. He would draw the water from the well and bathe the sadhus. He would not feel embarrassed while washing clothes. Not only that he would also clean up and wash the utensils. He would spend hours in the seva and would always think: ‘Thanks I have got seva and alongwith seva I am able to chant God’s name.’

Yogiji Maharaj would go to towns and villages to spread Satsang. He would go to beg alms also. He would bless everybody whether he would give him alms or not.

Once in a small village Yogiji Maharaj went to collect alms with an old blind sadhu. Yogiji

Maharaj was taking care of the blind sadhu. He would hold his hand and let him walk slowly.

Once, someone told him, “Why don’t you bring a young sadhu with you instead of this blind sadhu. Don’t you find his company difficult?” Yogiji Maharaj smiled and replied, “I consider this an opportunity. Not difficulty. I serve him worth penny and in return I get worth pounds.

“What do you mean?”

“You see by walking with them they share their knowledge and experience with me . In that way they serve me worth pounds.”

Yogiji Maharaj considered it an opportunity to serve the aged. ‘Serve worth penny and earn worth pounds’ one has to learn this from Yogiji Maharaj.