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Scheme of examination, Syllabi & Courses of Reading for
Post Graduate Diploma in Buddhist Studies (under Credit Based System) w.e.f. 2019-2020
(Annual System)

Scheme of Examinations for Post Graduate Diploma in Buddhist Studies

<i>Paper Code</i>	<i>Nomenclature of the Paper</i>	<i>Theory</i>	<i>Internal Assessment</i>	<i>Total Marks</i>	<i>Hours</i>			<i>Credits</i>
					<i>Lecture</i>	<i>Tutorial</i>	<i>Total</i>	
BS-101	Buddhist Language (Pāli) and Literature	80	20	100	4	1	5	4
BS-102	History of Buddhism	80	20	100	4	1	5	4
BS-103	Buddhist Philosophy	80	20	100	4	1	5	4
BS-104	Buddhist Ethics	80	20	100	4	1	5	4
BS-105	Dissertation	50 marks = External Evaluation 30 marks = Viva-Voce 20 marks = Study Tour*		100				4
				500				20

Note: Dissertation will be of 50 pages (approximately)

*All candidates are required to attend a study tour (compulsory) related to places associated with Buddhism. Marks of the study tour will be awarded by the teacher Incharge on the basis of students' discipline, participation, learning, etc.

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BS-101

Buddhist Language (Pāli) and Literature

Theory Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 hrs.

Note: The question paper will consist of **nine** questions. The candidate shall attempt **five** questions in all. The question No. 1 will be compulsory, consisting of four short answer type conceptual/thematic questions of equal marks spread over the whole syllabus. The candidate shall attempt remaining four questions selecting at least one from each Unit. Each question will carry equal marks.

Unit- I

- The origin and Development of Pāli Language.
- Jataka Tales (Saket Jataka, Maccha Jataka, Sujata Jataka).

Unit- II

- Buddhist Literature: Meaning of Tipiṭaka, Origin of Canonical Literature (Pāli Tipiṭaka Literature), and Relevance of Pāli Tipiṭaka Literature.
- Introduction to translated and compiled Canonical Texts (Tripiṭaka).
(A) Vinaya-Piṭaka (B) Sutra-Piṭaka (C) Abhidharma-Piṭaka.

Unit- III

- An introduction to Non-Canonical (Anu-Piṭaka) Literature.
- Origin & Development of Pāli Aṭṭhakathā Literature.
- Compilation of Canonical and non-Canonical Literature in other countries.

Unit- IV

- Pāli Vaṃsa Literature: Dīpavaṃsa & Mahāvaṃsa.
- Dhammapada; Verses No. 1, 2, 5, 153, 154, 183, 276, 277, 278, 279

Suggested Readings:

- Bhikshu Dharmarakshit, *Bauddha Dharma Darshan tatha Sahitya*, Varanasi: Nanda-Kishore and Brothers, 1965.
- Law, Bimala Churn, *A History of Pāli Literature*, Varanasi: Indological Book House, 1983.
- Shakya, Uma Datta, *Pāli Vaṃsa Sāhitya Kā Itihās*, Ahmadabad: Reliable Publishing House, 2017.
- Sharma, Ramananda, *Pāli: Bhāshā evam Sāhitya*, Ghaziabad: Pachauri Prakashana, 1998.
- Upadhyaya, Bharat Singh, *Pāli Sāhitya Kā Itihās*, Prayag: Hindi Sahitya Sammelan, 2005.
- Vijay Kumar Singh, *Sects in Tibetan Buddhism*, DK Printworld, Delhi, 2006.
- Warder, A.K., *Introduction to Pali*, Oxford: The Pali Text Society, 2001.

BS-102

History of Buddhism

Theory Marks: 80

Internal Assessment: 20

Time: 3 hrs.

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Unit- I

- Sources material of Buddhism:
 - Literary sources
 - Archaeological sources
 - Buddhist foreign travellers accounts.

Unit- II

- Origin of Buddhism: Life and teaching of the Lord Buddha.
- Development of the Sangha (Buddhist views on caste, women)

Unit- III

- History of the Buddhist Councils:
 - First Buddhist Council.
 - Second Buddhist Council.
 - Third Buddhist Council.
 - Fourth Buddhist Council.

Unit- IV

- Spread of the Buddhism: Sri Lanka, China, Tibet, Japan, Myanmar.
- Buddhist Art & Architecture: Origin & development of Stupa, Vihara, Chaitya and Caves.

Suggested Readings:

- Ahir, D. C., *Buddhism in India: Rediscovery, Revival and Development*, Delhi: Buddhist World Press, 2010.
- Ambedkar, Bhim Rao, *The Buddha and His Dhamma*, Nagpur: Buddha Bhoomi Prakashan, 1997.

- Bapat, P. V., *2500 Years of Buddhism*, Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India, 1997.
- Bhadant Sawangi Medhankar, *The Great Buddhist Emperors of Asia*, Nagpur: Buddha Bhoomi Prakashan, 1997
- Khobragade, Munshi N. L., *Bauddhakalin Bharat ka Itihas*, Nagpur: Samta Prakashan, 2002.
- Kosambi, Dharmanand, *Bhagvan Buddha: Jivan aur Darshan*, Allahabad: Lokbharti Prakashan, 2005.
- Lal, Angne, *Bauddha Sanskriti ke Vividh Ayam*, Lucknow: Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan, 2008.
- Legge, J., *Fa-Hien, A Record of Buddhist Kingdoms*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1886.
- Mishra, Ramanath, *Bhartiya Murtikala ka Itihas*, Delhi: Granth Shilpi (India) Private Limited, 1978.
- Panthari, Bhagvati Prasad, *Devanampriya Priyadarshi Raja Ashoka*, Lucknow: Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan, 2004.
- Prasad, Om Prakash, *Sanghadhipati Ashoka*, Delhi: Hindi Madhyam Karyanvaya Nideshalaya, Delhi Viswavidyalaya, 1999.
- Rahul Sankrityayan, *Bauddha Sanskriti*, New Delhi: Samyak Prakashan, 2011.
- Rhys Davids, T .W., *The History and Literature of Buddhism*, New Delhi: Munshiram Manoharlal Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 1999.
- Upadhaya, Bharat Singh, *Buddhakālīn Bhūgol*, Prayag: Hindi Sahitya Sammelan, 2000.
- Vijay Kumar Singh, *Sects in Tibetan Buddhism*, DK Printworld, Delhi, 2006.

BS-103
Buddhist Philosophy

Theory Marks: 80
Internal Assessment: 20
Time: 3 hrs.

Note: The question paper will consist of **nine** questions. The candidate shall attempt **five** questions in all. The question No. 1 will be compulsory, consisting of four short answer type conceptual/thematic questions of equal marks spread over the whole syllabus. The candidate shall attempt remaining four questions selecting at least one from each Unit. Each question will carry equal marks.

Unit- I

- Cattāri Ariyasaccāni (The Four Noble Truths), Ariyo-aṭṭhaṅgiko-maggo (the noble eightfold path), Paṭiccasamuppādo (the theory of Dependent Origination), Nirvana (Nibbāna), Theory of reality.
- Tilakkhaṇaṃ (Three Characteristics of Existence), Āyatana (Twelve Bases or Spheres) and No-Soul theory in Buddhism.
- Shamatha and Vipassana, Two truths.

Unit- II

- Schools of Buddhism: The Sarvastivada (Vaibhasika and Sautrantika); Madhyamika (Sunyavada); Yogacara (Vijnanvada), Vajrayana.

Unit- III

- Introduction to Buddhist Epistemology and Metaphysics.
- Buddhist Logic, Skilful means (Upaya Kaushalya) in Buddhism, Wisdom.

Unit- IV

- Revival of Buddhism In India: Socio-religious movement during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries in India.
- Movement of the Untouchables in the twentieth century.
- Revival of Buddhism in India with special reference to Angarika Dhampala.
- Life and contribution of B.R. Ambedkar in Buddhism.
- Engaged Buddhism.

Suggested Readings:

- *A Manual of Abhidhamma (Abhidhammatthasaṅgaho)* (Ed. & Tr.) Nārada Mahāthera, Kuala Lumpur: The Buddhist Missionary Society, 1979.
- *Abhidhammatthasaṅgaho* (Ed. & Tr.) Bhadanta Rewata-Dhamma & Ram Shankar Tripathi, Varanasi: Sampurnananda Sanskrit University, 1991.
- Ambedkar, B.R. *Revolution and Counter Revolution in Ancient India, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Writings and Speeches Vol.III*, Bombay: Higher Education Department, Government of Maharashtra, 1980.
- Ambedkar, B.R. *The Buddha and The Future of his Religion*, Jalandhar: Bhim Patrika Publication, 1975.
- *Ambedkar, Babasaheb, Writings and Speech Vol.XVI* (Ed.) Vasant Moon, New Delhi: Dr. Ambedkar Foundation, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, 2014.
- *Ambedkar, Babasaheb, Writings and Speech, Vol.–XVI* Ed. Vasant Moon, Mumbai: The Education Department, Government of Maharashtra, 1998.
- Ambedkar, Bhim Rao, *The Buddha and His Dhamma*, Nagpur: Buddha Bhoomi Prakashan, 1997.
- Das, Bhagwan, *Revival of Buddhism in India and role of Dr. Baba Saheb B.R. Ambedkar*, Lucknow: Dalit Today Prakashan, 1998.
- Jondhale, Surendra & Johannes Beltz, *Reconstructing the World: B.R. Ambedkar and Buddhism in India*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2004.
- Kashyap, Bhikshu Jagdish, *The Abhidhamma Philosophy*, Delhi: Bhartiya Vidya Prakashan, 1982.
- Naik, C.D., *Ambedkar's Perspective on Buddhism and other Religions*, Delhi: Kalpaz Publications, 2009.
- Rahula, Walpola, *What The Buddha Taught*, The Corporate Body of the Buddha Educational Foundation, 2003.
- Sangharakshita, *Ambedkar and Buddhism*. Glasgow: Windhorse Publications, 1986.
- Sankrityana, Rahula, *Bauddha Darshan*, Allahabad: Kitab Mahal, 1992.
- Shakya, Rajendra Prasad, *Bauddha Darshan*, Bhopal: Madhya Pradesh Hindi Academy, 2001.
- Upadhyaya, Bharat Singh, *Bauddha Darshan evam anaya Bhartiya Darshan*, Delhi: Motilal Banarasidas Publishers Private Limited, 1996.
- Vijay Kumar Singh, *Buddhism Tibetan Tradition and Indian Path*, Sankalp Publication, Chhattisgarh, 2019.
- Vijay Kumar Singh, *Sects in Tibetan Buddhism*, DK Printworld, Delhi, 2006.

BS-104

Buddhist Ethics

Theory Marks: 80
Internal Assessment: 20
Time: 3 hrs.

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Unit- I

- Buddhist concept of *Ahimsa* with special reference to Brahmanical and Jaina views on *Ahimsa*.
- Comparison with Gandhi's conception of *Ahimsa* and *Satyagraha* (zest for truth); and means-ends relation.

Unit- II

- Buddhist concepts of *Kamma* and *Sila* with reference to Gita's concept of Nishkamakarma (selfless action).
- Buddhist concepts of Brahmavihara.

Unit- III

- Concept of Sila, Samadhi, Prajna.
- Theory of Karma and Rebirth (Pratisandhi), Kushala and Akushala Karma.

Unit- IV

- Arhata and Bodhisattva Ideal.
- Buddhist Theory of Perfection (Paramita).

Suggested Readings:

- Aiyer, Raghvan, Moral and Political Thought of Mahatma Gandhi, Madras: 1978.
- Duff, R.A., Trials and Punishment, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press: 1986.
- Fishin, J.S., Justice, Equal Opportunity, and the Family, New Haven: Yale University Press: 1983.
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- Frankena, W., Ethics, Englewood Cliffs, NJ: 1963.
- Har Dayal, The Bodhisattva Doctrine in Buddhist Sanskrit Literature, reprint, Delhi: Motilal Banarsidass, 1999.
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- Keown, D., Morality in the Visuddhimagga, New York: 1983.
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- Macintyre, A., A Short History of Ethics, London: 1966.
- Mackie, J.L., Ethics: Inventing Right and Wrong, Harmondsworth, Middlesex: 1977.
- Misra G.S.P. Development of Buddhist Ethics, Munshi Ram Manohar Lal, Delhi, 1984.
- Narada Maha Thera, A Manual of Buddhism, Buddhist Missionary Society, Srilanka, 1992.
- Nuttall, J., Moral Questions: An Introduction to Ethics, London, Macmillan: 1993.
- Rahul Walpol, What the Buddha Taught, Reprint, 2007, Oneworld Publication, Oxford, London.
- Shakya, Gyanaditya, *Human Values and Buddhist Ethics*, Nagpur: Sangyan Prakashan, 2018.
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