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Revised syllabus for B.A.
Sanskrit (Hons.)
Part-I
Paper-I, Full Marks – 100
[University Examination – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

General Grammar, Composition & Metrics

1. General Grammar – Special emphasis on — 30 Marks
   a) Sandhi & Samāsa
   b) Kārakavibhakti, Ātmanepada & Parasmaipadavidhān, Nāmadhātu, Sanpratyaya, Yanpratyaya, Apatyapratyaya and Matvarthiya taddhitapratyayas (with Pāṇinian sŭtras)

2. Bhaṭṭikāvyam of Bhaṭṭi [Canto-II] — 25 Marks

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long question — 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanāgari scripts — 1x6 = 6
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 4x1 = 4
   - Textual grammar — 5

3. Chandomañjarī of Gngādāsa [Samavṛttas only] — 15 Marks

   Distribution of Marks
   - Define and illustrate — 2x5 = 10
   - Scan and name the metre — 1x5 = 5

4. Translation from English or Bengali into Sanskrit language & Devanāgari scripts — 10 Marks
5. Essay in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 10 Marks
6. Internal Assessment — 10 Marks

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Paper-II
Full Marks – 100
[University Examination – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

Drama and Dramaturgy

1. Svapnavāsavadattam of Bhāsa — 30 Marks

Distribution of Marks

- Long question — 1x 10 = 10
- Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1x8 = 8
- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 6x1 = 6
- Textual grammar — 6

2. Abhijñānaśakuntalam of Kālidāsa — 40 Marks

Distribution of Marks

- Long question — 1x12 = 12
- Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1x8 = 8
- Amplification in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1x4 = 4
- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 12x1 = 12
- Rendering from Prakrit into Sanskrit — 1x4 = 4

3. Sāhityadarpaṇam of Viśvanātha [Chapter-VI] — 20 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question — 1x10 = 10
- Short Note — 1x5 = 5
- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 5x1 = 5

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4. Internal Assessment 10 Marks

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Part-II
Paper-III, Full Marks – 100
[University Examination – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

Prose and Poetry

1. Kādamvarī of Bāṇabhaṭṭa 20 Marks
   [Mahāśvetāvṛttānta]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long Question 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1x6 = 6
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 4x1 = 4

2. Raghuvaṃśam of Kālidāsa 20 Marks
   [Canto-I]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long question 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1x6 = 6
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 4x1 = 4

3. Kirātārjunīyam of Bhāravi 25 Marks
   [Canto-I]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long question 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1x7 = 7

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- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 5x1 = 5
- Textual grammar 3

4. Śiśupālavadham of Māgha 25 Marks
   [Canto-I]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long question 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1x7 = 7
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 5x1 = 5
   - Textual grammar 3

5. Internal Assessment 10 Marks

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Paper-IV
Full Marks – 100
[University Examination – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

Poetics and History of Sanskrit Literature

1. Kāvyālaṃkārasūtravṛtti of Vāmana 15 Marks
   [Adhikaraṇa – I]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long question 1x10 = 10
   - Short note or Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1x5 = 5

2. Sāhityadarpaṇam of Viśvānatha 20 Marks
   [Chapter-X]
   Selected Alamkarans only: Anuprāsa, Yamaka, Ślesa, Upamā, Rūpaka, Tulyayogitā, Prativastūpamā, Vibhāvanā, Viśeṣakti, Atiśayokti, Samāsokti, Dṛṣṭanta, Nidarśanā, Arthāntaranyāsa, Vyatireka, Dīpaka, Apahnuti, Utprekśā Ekāvali, Kāvyalinga.

   Distribution of Marks
   - Definition with illustration of Alamkaras in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 2x5 = 10
   - Determination of Alamkara in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1x4 = 4
   - Distinguish between 1x6 = 6

3. History of Sanskrit literature 45 Marks
   [Epic, Puran & Classical]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long question 2x12 = 24
   - Short notes 3x5 = 15

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- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 6x1 = 6

4. A brief outline of Post-Independence Sanskrit Literature with special reference to Bengal [Mahākāvya, Gītikāvya & Dṛśyakāvya] 10 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 10x1 = 10

5. Internal Assessment 10 Marks

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Paper-V
Full Marks – 100
[University Examination – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

Veda

1. Vedic texts : Saṃhitā — 30 Marks

   Selected Hymns – ṚgVeda – Agni (1.1), Surya (1.115), Indra (2.12), Akśa (10.34), Hiraṇyagarbha (10.121), Devī (10.125), Saṃjñana (10.191), Atharvaveda – Vṛṣti (4.15)

   Distribution of Marks:

   - Long Question — 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1x6 = 6
   - Viniyoga in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1x6 = 6
   - Padapāṭha in Devanagari scripts — 1x4 = 4
   - Grammatical note — 2x2 = 4

2. Brāhmaṇa text:
   Śatapathabrāhmaṇa: Manumatsakathā — 5

   Distribution of Marks:

   - Short note/semi long type question — 1x5 = 5

3. Īśopaniṣada — 20 Marks

   Distribution of Marks

   - Long question — 1x10 = 10
   - Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1x6 = 6
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 4x1 = 4

4. Vedic Grammar: Sandhi, Conjugation, Aorist, Subjunctive, Infinitive, Position of Upasargas — 15 Marks

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Distribution of Marks:

- Long question 1x10 = 10
- Vedic word formation with sŭtra 1x5 = 5

5. **History of Vedic literature** 20 Marks

a) Age of the ṚgVeda
b) General acquaintance with the contents of the four Vedas with special emphasis on dialogue hymns, Philosophical hymns, Vedic society, Position of women.
c) A general knowledge of the Brāhmaṇas Āraṇyakas & Upaniśadas
d) Vedānga literature

Distribution of Marks:

- Long question 1x10 = 10
- Short note 1x5 = 5
- Short Question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 5x1 = 5

6. Internal Assessment 10 Marks

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Part-III
Paper-VI, Full Marks – 10
[University Examination – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

Grammar and Linguistics

1. Siddhāntakaumudī of Dīkşita — 30 Marks
   [Kārakaprakaraṇa]

   Distribution of Marks:
   - Long Question — 1 x 10 = 10
   - Explanation of Sūtra in Sanskrit language scripts — 1 x 4 = 4
   - Explanation of the commentary of Dīkşita — 1 x 6 = 6
   - Short note in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1 x 4 = 4
   - Determining Case-Ending with sūtra in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 3 x 2 = 6

2. Siddhāntakaumudī of Dīkşita — 30 Marks
   [Samāsaprakaraṇa excluding Samāsāntavidhāna]

   Distribution of Marks
   - Long Question — 1 x 10 = 10
   - Explanation of sŭtra in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1 x 4 = 4
   - Explanation of the commentary of Dīkşita — 1 x 6 = 6
   - Short note in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 1 x 4 = 4
   - Formation of words with sŭtra in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 2 x 3 = 6

3. Linguistics : — 30 Marks
   i) Language family of the world.

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ii) Primitive Indo-European, Division of Indo-European, Indo-Iranian (Aryan) and its emergence, Non-Aryan influence on Sanskrit.

iii) Phonetic laws / tendencies : Grimm's law, varner's law, Gramssmas law, Assimilation, Dissimilation, Metathesis, Prothesis, Epenthesis, Anaptyxis, Haplology.

iv) Vedic & Classical Sanskrit.

v) Epic Sanskrit – General Sanskrit.

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question 2 x 10 = 20
- Short Question 1 x 5 = 5
- Transliteration of Sanskrit passage or verse into Roman script using Diacritical mark 1 x 5 = 5

4. Internal Assessment 10 Marks

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Paper - VII
Full Marks – 100
(University Exam. – 90 & Internal Assessment – 10)

Dharmaśāstra and Arthaśāstra

1) Manusamhitā [Chapt. – VII] 25 Marks
Śloke – 1-114

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Explanation in Sanskrit language 1 x 6 = 6
- Short note 2 x 2½ = 5
- Short Question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 4 x 1 = 4

2) Yājñavalkyasaṃhitā 25 Marks
[Vyavahārādhyāy verses 1-94, 114-158]

Distribution of marks

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1 x 6 = 6
- Short note 2 x 2 ½ = 5
- Short Question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 4 x 1 = 4

3) Kautilya's Arthaśāstra: Adhikaraṇa – I 25 Marks
[Adhyayas – Vidyāmasuddesa, Indriyajaya, Mantrādhikāra, Amatyotpatti, Dŭtapraṇidhi, Gudapurusaniyoga]

Distribution of marks

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Explain in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 1 x 6 = 6
- Short notes 2 x 2 ½ = 5

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- Short Question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 4 x 1 = 4

4) History of Dharmaśāstra 15 Marks
[Upto Raghunandana]

Distribution of Marks

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Short Question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari script 5 x 1 = 5

5) Internal Assessment 10 Marks
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Paper – VIII
Full Marks – 100
[University Exam. 90 & Internal Assessment – 10]

Indian Philosophy

1) Tarkasaṃgraha of Annambhaṭṭa — 40 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question — 2 x 10 = 20
- Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 2 x 5 = 10
- Short note — 1 x 5 = 5
- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 5 x 1 = 5

2) Bṛhadāraṇyakopaniṣada — 15 Marks
[Brāhmaṇa – IV = Chapter IV & V]

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question — 1 x 9 = 9
- Explanation in Sanskrit language & Devanagari script — 1 x 6 = 6

3) Śrīmadbhagavadgītā — 10 Marks
[chapter – IV]

Distribution of Marks

- Long Question — 1 x 10 = 10

4) General acquaintance with the main system of Indian Philosophy — 25 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question — 1 x 10 = 10
- Short note — 1 x 5 = 5

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- Short Question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 10 x 1 = 10

5) Internal Assessment 10 Marks
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SANSKRIT (General)
Part – I, Paper – I
Full Marks – 100
[University Exam. 90 & Internal Assessment 10]

1) Manusaṃhitā (Chapter – VII) 25 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Explanation 1 x 7 = 7
- Short Question 4 x 2 = 8

2) Kumārasambhavam of Kālidāsa 25 Marks
[Canto – I]

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Explanation 1 x 7 = 7
- Short Question 4 x 2 = 8

3) General Grammar:
   a) Declension : Nara, Muni, Sādhu, Pitṛ, Latā, Mati, Nadī, Dhenu, Badhŭ, Phala, Bāri, Madhu, Ātman, Guṇin, Srīmat, Yusmat, Tad, Idam, Kim (in three genders), Dvi, Tri, Catur, Karman. 5 Marks
   b) Conjugation : Bhŭ, Kṛ, Gam, Sev, As, Ad, Han, Bhī, Pat, Dṛś, Sās, Śi. 5 Marks
   c) Sandhi, Samāsa, Case-ending, Resulting forms, Substitute single words 20 Marks

4) Translation form English or Bengali into Sanskrit language and Devanagari scripts 10 Marks

5) Internal Assessment 10 Marks
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Part – II
Paper – II, Full Marks – 100
(University Exam 90 & Internal Assessment 10)

1) Hitopadeśa of Nārāyaṇaśarmā (Mitralābha]
Excluding the portion prastāvika. Prescribed text from 'Atha prāsādapṛṣṭhe ….. kathā 1, 2, 3, 6, upto verse – 193. 20 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
- Explanation 1 x 6 = 6
- Short question 2 x 2 = 4

2) Abhijñānaśakuntalam of Kālidāsa 45

Distribution of Marks:

Long Question	2 x 12 = 24
Explanation	1 x 7 = 7
Amplification	1 x 4 = 4
Short question	5 x 2 = 10

3) Chandomañjarī of Gangādāsa 15 Marks
[Indravajrā, Upendravajrā, Upajāti, Drutavilamvita, Śālinī, Vaṃśasthavil, Rucirā, Rathoddhatā, Mālinī, Vasantatilak, Praharşiṇī, Mandākrāntā, Śārdūlavikrīdita, Sragdharā.

Distribution of Marks

- Difine and illustrate 3 x 4 = 12
- Scan and name the metre 1 x 3 = 3

4) Comprehension test from unseen passage of Sanskrit (using Devanagari scripts) 10 Marks

5) Internal assessment 10 Marks
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Paper – III
Full Marks – 100
(University Exam – 90 & Internal Assessment 10)

1) History of Classical Sanskrit literature 40 Marks
   a) Bhāsa, Kālidāsa, Bhāravi, Māgha, Śriharşa, Bhaṭṭi, Śūdraka, Viśākhdatta, Bhaṭṭanārāyaṇa, Krisṇamiśra, Rājśekhara, Bhavabhuti.
   b) A general idea on Historical Kāvya, Lyric, Prose Romans and Fable literature.

   Distribution of marks:
   - Long question 2 x 12 = 24
   - Short note 2 x 5 = 10
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 6 x 1 = 6

2) General acquaintance of the Rāmāyaṇa, Mahābhārata & Purāṇa (Mahāpuraṇa) 20 Marks
   - Long question 1 x 12 = 12
   - Short note 1 x 4 = 4
   - Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts 4 x 1 = 4

3) Īśopaniṣada 20 Marks
   Distribution of Marks:
   - Long Question 1 x 10 = 10
   - Explanation 1 x 6 = 6
   - Short question 2 x 2 = 4

4) Translation from unseen Sanskrit passages into Bengali or English 10 Marks

5) Internal Assessment 10 Marks
   (Question will be set in Sanskrit and Bengali)

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Part – III
Paper – IV Full Marks – 100
(University Exam. 90 and Internal Assessment 10)

1) General Concept of the saṃhitās of four Vedas, Brāhmaṇas and Vedāngas — 20 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long Question — 1 x 10 = 10
- Short note — 1 x 5 = 5
- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devanagari scripts — 5 x 1 = 5

2) Arthaśāstra of Kauṭilya – Adhikarana – I — 15 Marks
[Adhyāyas – Vidyāsamuddesa, Indriyajaya and Mantrādhikāra]

Distribution of Marks:

- Long question — 1 x 10 = 10
- Short question — 2 x 2 ½ = 5

3) Sāhityadarpaṇa of Viśvanātha
[Chpater – VI – Nātaka, Prakaraṇa, Prahasana, Mahākāvya & Gadyakāvya] — 20 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long question — 1 x 10 = 10
- Short note — 2 x 5 = 10

4) Śrīmadbhagavadgītā [Chapter – XII] — 10 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long question — 1 x 10 = 10

5) General acquaintance with Sanskrit works on Social, Scientific and Technical literature.

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[Dharmaśāstra & Arthaśāstra, Vyākaraṇa & Abhidhāna, Āyurveda & Cikitsāśāstra, Astrology & Astronomy, Vāstuvidyā & Gāndharvavidyā) 25 Marks

Distribution of Marks:

- Long question 1 x 10 = 10
- Short note 2 x 5 = 10
- Short question in Sanskrit language & Devnagari scripts 5 x 1 = 5

6) Internal Assessment 10 Marks
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