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**PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION IN ORIENTAL STUDIES
M. PHIL. QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN CLASSICAL INDIAN RELIGIONS**

SANSKRIT II: GRAMMAR

Wednesday 24 June 2009, 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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I

Answer *six* of the following, including *three* from each of the two groups a) and b).

- a)
1. Describe the *sandhi* of final *aḥ* and final *a*.
 2. Decline the phrase *idaṃ nāma*.
 3. Decline the phrase *sā nadī*.
 4. Decline the phrase *eṣa kartā*.
 5. Describe, with examples, the types of Sanskrit compounds.
- b)
6. Conjugate *nī* in the present *ātmanepada* and *dviṣ* in the imperfect *parasmaipada*.
 7. Conjugate *su* in the present *parasmaipada* and *kṛ* in the present *ātmanepada*.
 8. Conjugate *kṛī* in the optative *parasmaipada* and *rudh* in the imperative *parasmaipada*.
 9. Conjugate *nī* in the aorist *ātmanepada* and *bhū* in the aorist *parasmaipada*.
 10. Conjugate *dṛś* in the perfect *parasmaipada* and *vac* in the perfect *ātmanepada*.
 11. Describe, with examples, the formation of the causative and the syntax of its use.

II

Translate the following into Sanskrit using the *devanagari* script.

That hermit in his wrath cursed my sisters, saying, “You wicked maidens, be born all of you in the world of mortals.” When our father heard that, he went and pacified that great hermit, and the hermit told how the curse of each of them should end. Then, after they left their bodies and went to the world of men, my father bestowed on me this city, and in his grief went to the forest. But while I was dwelling here the goddess Durgā informed me in a dream that a mortal should become my husband. For this reason, though my father has recommended to me many Vidyādhara suitors, I have rejected them all and remained unmarried to this day. But now I am subdued by your wonderful arrival and by your handsome form, and give myself to you.