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**PRELIMINARY EXAM IN ORIENTAL STUDIES
M. PHIL. QUALIFYING EXAM IN ORIENTAL STUDIES: CLASSICAL INDIAN RELIGIONS
M. PHIL. QUALIFYING EXAM IN MODERN SOUTH ASIAN STUDIES**

Paper II: GRAMMAR (SANSKRIT)

Monday 16 June 2008, 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 *t*
 - 2. Decline the phrase *ayam agniḥ*.
 - 3. Decline the phrase *sā vāk*.
 - 4. Decline the pronouns *aḥam* and *tvam* in all numbers.
 - 5. Describe, with examples, the types of Sanskrit compounds.
- b)
 - 6. Conjugate *bhū* in the imperative *parasmaipada* and *dviṣ* in the present *ātmanepada*.
 - 7. Conjugate *su* in the optative *ātmanepada* and *rudh* in the present *parasmaipada*.
 - 8. Conjugate *kṛ* in the present *parasmaipada* and *kṛī* in the present *ātmanepada*.
 - 9. Conjugate *vac* in the perfect *parasmaipada* and *pac* in the perfect *ātmanepada*.
 - 10. Describe, with examples, the formation of the causative and the syntax of its use.
 - 11. Describe, with examples, the formation of the absolutive and the syntax of its use.

II

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

On that day Śūrasena's wife Śuṣeṇā said to herself: "Here is that spring festival arrived; my beloved will certainly return today." So she bathed, adorned herself, worshipped the God of Love, and eagerly awaited his arrival. But the day came to an end and her husband did not return, and during the course of the night she was afflicted by despondency, and said to herself: "The hour of my death has come, but my husband has not returned; for those whose souls are exclusively devoted to the service of another do not care for their own families." While she was making these reflections, with her heart fixed upon her husband, her breath left her body, as if consumed by the forest-fire of love.