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CLASSICAL INDIAN RELIGIONS

Paper II: GRAMMAR

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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 *n* and of final *a*.
 2. Decline the phrase *sa rājā*.
 3. Decline the phrase *ayam kartā*.
 4. Decline the phrase *kāntā strī*.
 5. Describe, with examples, the types of Sanskrit compounds.
- b)
6. Conjugate *as* in the present *parasmaipada* and *nī* in the imperfect *ātmanepada*.
 7. Conjugate *dviṣ* in the optative *parasmaipada* and *su* in the present *ātmanepada*.
 8. Conjugate *kṛ* in the imperative *parasmaipada* and *hu* in the present *parasmaipada*.
 9. Conjugate *sic* in the aorist *parasmaipada* and *pū* in the aorist *ātmanepada*.
 10. Conjugate *pac* in the perfect *ātmanepada* and *drś* in the perfect *parasmaipada*.
 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.

Rise up, king, I am pleased with you, so I will tell you this. Listen. There is in the land of Kalinga a Gandharva who has become a white elephant by the curse of a hermit and is known by the name of Svetaraśmi. On account of his devotion to me, that elephant is marvellously wise and possesses the powers of flying through the sky and of remembering his former births. I have given an order in a dream to that great elephant, in accordance with which he will come to you of himself through the air and become your beast of burden.