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NET SYLLABUS

Subject: PALI (LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE)

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Unit – I

Biography of the Buddha based on Pāli sources : Ariyapariyesanasutta/
Pāsarāsisutta (Majjhimanikāya), Mahāparinibbānasutta (Dīghanikāya),
Jātakanidānakathā and Jinacarita.

Introduction to First, Second and Third Buddhist Councils: Based on Cullavagga
(Pañcasatikā-khandhaka, Sattasatikā-khandhaka), Samantapāsādikā (Bāhirakathā)
and Mahāvamsa.

Unit – II

Tradition and Characteristics of Pāli grammar.

Derivation of the word ‘Pāli’ and Homeland of Pāli language.

Pāli Alphabets, Sandhi, Kāraka, Samāsa, Taddhita, Ākhyāta and Kṛdanta (based on
the Bālāvatara).

Unit –III

Mahāvagga : Mahākhandhaka.

Cullavagga : Kammakhandhaka.

Pātimokkha

General Introduction to Vinayapiṭaka.

Unit – IV

Dīghanikāya : Bramajālasutta and Kūṭadantasutta.

Majjhimanikāya : Satipaṭṭhānasutta.

Samyuttanikāya : Buddhavagga of Nidānavagga's Nidānasamyutta.

Aṅguttaranikāya: Nīvaraṇappahāṇavagga and Akammanīyavagga of Ekakanipāta.
General Introduction to Suttapiṭaka.

Unit – V

Dhammapada : Yamakavagga, Appamādavagga and Cittavagga.

Suttanipāta : Kasibhāradvājasutta, Vāsetṭhasutta.

Therīgāthā : Mahāpajāpati-gotamītherī and Ambapālitherī.

Jātaka : Vānarindajātaka, Sasajātaka and Javasakuṇajātaka.

General Introduction to Khuddakanikāya.

Unit – VI

Dhammasaṅgañī : Dukamātikā and Tikamātikā.

Abhidhammatthasaṅgaha : Citta, Cetasika, Rūpa and Nibbāna.

Introduction to Abhidhamma Literature.

Unit – VII

Milindapañha : Bāhirakathā, Lakkhaṇapañha.

General Introduction to Milindapañha.

Unit – VIII

Visuddhimaggā : Sīlaniddesa.

General Introduction to Visuddhimaggā.

General Introduction to Aṭṭhakathā Literature and contribution of Buddhadatta, Buddhaghosa and Dhammapāla.

Unit – IX

General Introduction to Vārṣa Literature.

General Introduction to Pāli Kāvya Literature.

Unit – X

Buddhist Philosophical Concepts: Arahata, Bodhisatta, Paccekabuddha, Sammāsambuddha, Sīla, Samādhi, Paññā, Brahnavihāra, Ariyasacca, Ariya-aṭṭhangika-magga, Tilakkhaṇa, Paṭiccasamuppāda, Kammavāda, Bodhipakkhiyadhamma, Nibbāna, Nīvaraṇa, Samyojana, Hetu and Āsava.