

**B.A. (Honours) Examination 2018**  
**Semester-I**  
**Comparative Religion**  
**Course CC-1**  
**(Hinduism: Origin and Development)**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Full Marks : 60**

**Questions are of value as indicated in the margin**

Answer **any four** questions

1. What is 'Sanātana Dharma'? Explain 'Hinduism' as a living-culture. 3+12=15
  2. Where does the term 'Hindu' come from? What is the meaning of the 'Veda'? What are the meaning of RK, Sāma, Yajuh and Atharva? Write a brief note on the Vedic culture. 3+2+4+6=15
  3. Give an account on moral values of the Rāmāyaṇa. 15
  4. What does the word 'Yoga' mean? What is 'Yoga-darśana'? What are the objectives of 'Aṣṭāṅgikayoga' according to Patañjali? Discuss. 1+2+12=15
  5. What is 'Purāna'? How many Mahā Purāṇas and Upa- Purāṇa's are there? Write a note on the Agni 'Purāṇa' or the 'Padma Purāṇa'.
  6. Write short notes on **any three** of the following : 3×5=15
    - a) Characteristics of Śrī Kṛṣṇa
    - b) The meaning and reason of upavāsa' (fasting)
    - c) *Dharma* and Religion
    - d) *Dharma* and Ethics
    - e) The concept of '*bhakti*'
    - (f) Śaivism
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