

INDIAN COUNCIL OF ASTROLOGICAL SCIENCES (REGD.), CHENNAI
JYOTISH PRAVEENA EXAMINATION - DECEMBER 2008
PAPER - I

Time: 3 hrs

Total Marks: 50

Attempt FIVE questions. Q.No.1 and 6 are compulsory. Attempt three remaining choosing one from each part. All questions carry equal marks.

PART - I (GENERAL ASTROLOGY)

1. What is the rationale of astrology?

(OR)

Whether astrology is related to psychology? Discuss.

2. What is meant by Dridha, Adridha and Dridhadhidridh Karmas?

3. Write short notes on the following :

- List six Vedangas.
- What is Skandatriyas in astrology ?
- Give five essential qualities of a good astrologer.

4. (i) Name one astrological work of the following

- Kalidas
- Kalyana Varma
- Prithuyashas
- Varahamihir
- Mantreshwar

(ii) What are the two dating techniques in astrology?

5. Astrology is both science and art. Discuss.

Part II (ASTRONOMY RELEVANT TO ASTROLOGY)

6. The planetary position, at birth time, of a native are: Ascendant-Taurus 22:22, Sun-Scorpio 00:22, Moon-Sagittarius 21:00, Mars-Leo 26:59, Mercury @-Scorpio 02:26, Jupiter-Cancer 11:03, Venus-Scorpio 2:15, Saturn @-Aquarius 29:36, Rahu-Aries 22:20 (16.11.1966, 19:15 hrs, Bangalore)

Calculate the following at the native's birth time:

- Tithi
- Names of the moon's constellation
- Yoga
- Karana

(OR)

What is an Eclipse? Explain Lunar Eclipse.

7. Explain with diagramme why:

- Inner planets retrograde when they are in between the Earth and the Sun?
- Rahu and Ketu are always 180 degrees apart?

8. Explain the following terms

- Terrestrial Equator
- International Date Line
- Zodiac
- Celestial Sphere
- Ecliptic

9. Give one line answer to the following:

- During Uttarayana, which is the first sign transited by Sun?
- Which planet (Graha) completes the cycle of zodiac in a least time?
- Which is the heaviest planet in the Solar system?
- Which planet is known as Red Planet in Solar system?
- On what English date Vernal Equinox happens?

- f. Solar eclipse normally takes place on which Hindu tithi?
- g. The longitude on which IST is based passes through _____ degrees East of India.
- h. The day and night on poles can be of this maximum duration.
- i. What longitudinal difference between Sun and Moon makes a tithi?
- j. A lunar month devoid of any sankranti is known as _____.
10. a. Discuss Luni solar year.
- b. Discuss inner and outer planets of Solar system with diagramme.

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Attempt five questions. Q.No.1 and 6 are compulsory. Attempt three remaining choosing one from each part. All questions carry equal marks

PART - I (MATHEMATICAL ASTROLOGY)

1. Cast the Rasi chart, showing the Lagna and the position of all the planets for a native born in Guwahati on 1st Dec. 2008 at 6.30 pm. (Guwahati: 26N10, 91E45)
2. a. Indicate the name of the stellar constellation & charan (pada) in which the Lagna and other planets are posited at the time of birth for the chart at 2(b) below.
- b. Draw Navamsa & hora chart for this native.

Name of the Planet	Sign	Degrees and Minutes
Ascendant	Virgo	12:40
Sun	Leo	12:10
Moon	Virgo	14:22
Mars	Libra	12:07
Mercury	Cancer	25:01
Jupiter	Gemini	03:53
Venus	Virgo	18:02
Saturn (R)	Aquarius	21:05
Rahu	Taurus	16:08

(29.08.1965, 08:13 hrs, Madurai)

3. Attempt any three of the following:
 - (i) Local Mean Time (LMT).
 - (ii) Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).
 - (iii) Convert 30.30 ghatis into Hours-Minutes-Seconds:
 - (iv) How much is the time difference between IST and LMT of Delhi?
4. What is Ayanamsa? What is the importance of Ayanamsa in astrology?
5. Attempt any four of the following:
 - a. Bhava sandhi
 - b. Ascendant
 - c. Tropical year
 - d. Sidereal Time
 - e. Tenth House or M.C.