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Subject : Life of the Buddha and Buddha Dhamma

Time : 1 hour 30 mints

Part - 1

(Answer all questions - Give your answers on this paper itself)

1. State whether the following statements are right (✓) or wrong (X) and mark within the brackets.
 - (a) Prince Siddhartha was born in King Suddhodhana's palace ()
 - (b) Donating blood to save a patient's life is Amisa dana ()
 - (c) "Untouchables" in India were people of low caste ()
 - (d) Ascetic Siddhartha gave up austerities because they were too difficult to observe ()
 - (e) Buddha delivered the first sermon at Deer Park, Isipatana ()

(20 marks = 4 marks for each correct answer)

2. Underline the most suitable word or phrase that would complete the sentence correctly.
 - (a) The 'Great Renunciation' of Prince Siddhartha was
 - (i) the event of leaving the palace.
 - (ii) the Prince's marriage.
 - (iii) Enlightenment as a Buddha.
 - (b) In the salutation to the Buddha "Satta devamanussanam" means :-
 - (i) Teacher of gods and humans
 - (ii) Worthy of offering
 - (iii) Possessed of knowledge of the world.
 - (c) The Buddha advised the first sixty monks to
 - (i) Live in the forest,
 - (ii) Wander forth for the good of the many.
 - (iii) Practise austerities.
 - (d) Preaching the Dhamma is an act of
 - (i) Amisa dana
 - (ii) Abhaya dana
 - (iii) Dhamma dana

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(e) The line “Asevana ca balanam” of Mangala Sutta means

- (i) Keep away from fools.
- (ii) Keep company with the wise.
- (iii) Honour those worthy of honour.

(20 marks = 4 marks for each correct answer)

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable words or phrases to complete the sentence correctly.

- (a) The title of the Buddha’s First Sermon was
- (b) Of the Ten meritorious deeds “Apacayana” means
- (c) “Akalika” as a feature of Dhamma means
- (d) One unwholesome act done through the ‘Door’ of Thought (mano) is
- (e) Buddha’s two Chief Disciples were

(20 marks = 4 marks for each correct answer)

Part - 11

(Answer any TWO questions - Write on a separate sheet of paper and attach)

4. Write four sentences on any ONE of the following.

- (i) Renunciation of Prince Siddhartha
- (ii) The Poson Full Moon Poya Day
- (iii) The practice of “Sila” (Morality)

5. Give the meaning of the Five precepts (Panca Sila)

6. Mention five “Supreme Blessings” mentioned in the Mangala Sutta.

7. Describe any ONE of the following

- (i) The Ploughing Ceremony.
- (ii) The ‘Esala Perahera’ held in Kandy
- (iii) Sujata’s offering of Milk rice to Bodhisatva

(20 marks for each answer)
