



YOUNG MEN'S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION
COLOMBO – SRI LANKA
2550 DHAMMA EXAMINATION – 2006

Grade – Senior Part – 1 (Senior)
Subject – Dhamma

Date : 25th June 2006
Time : 2 hours

Answer any FIVE questions

(20 marks for each question)

01. Write an account of the Establishment of the Bhikkhuni Order
02. Illustrate Buddha's great concern and compassion for helpless and distressed persons by reference to relevant incidents.
03. Buddha's admonitions on social ethics were aimed at promoting harmony in society. Show how this objective is achieved by the teachings in Sigalovada Sutta.
04. Explain what is meant by 'Tranquillity Meditation' (Samatha bhavana) Enumerate the ten objects in any group of ten out of the Forty Objects of Meditation.
05. Explain the Group of Four Kamma according to the Time of Operation.
06. What were the five lifelong practices for monks suggested to the Buddha by Devadatta ? Why did Buddha refuse to make them compulsory ?
07. Give the meaning of ONE of the following Dhammapada Stanzas and explain the moral contained in the stanza

62 "Putta matthi dhanam matthi
 iti balo vihannati
 atta hi attano natthi
 kuto putta kuto dhanam

OR 129 Sabbe tasanti dandassa
 sabbe bhayanti maccuno
 attanam upamam katva
 na haneyya naghataye

8. Write short notes on any FOUR of the following. (5 marks for each section)

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| (a) Nigantha Nata putta | (b) Bimbisara |
| (c) Anantariya Kamma | (d) Anapanasati |
| (e) Vicikiccha | (f) Maha Pajapati Gotami |