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Subject: Dhamma

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Part I

(Part I is compulsory - answer on this paper)

1. Underline the word or phrase that would fill the blank correctly.
- (a) Buddha contemplated on Patthana of the Abhidhamma pitaka during the week after Enlightenment.
(i) Third (ii) Fourth (iii) Sixth
- (b) Buddha was invited to preach the Dhamma after Enlightenment by
(i) Maha Brahma Sahampathi
(ii) God Sakra
(iii) Ascetic Upaka
- (c) The extreme Ascetic practice that Buddha advised recluses to avoid in the first sermon was
(i) Attkilamathanuyoga (ii) Kamasukhallikanuyoga
(iii) Majjhima patipada
- (d) The first lay follower who took refuge in the Buddha, Dhamma and Sangha was.....
(i) Millionaire's son yasa (ii) Yasa's father (iii) Ajivaka Upaka
- (e) Sariputta thera attained Arahantship after listening to
(i) Aditta pariyaya Sutta (ii) Anatta Lakkhana Sutta
(iii) Vedanapariggaha Sutta
- (f) Depriving a human being of life intentionally by a bhikkhu is
(i) Parajika offence (ii) Pacittiya offence
(iii) Sanghadisesa offence
- (g) Makhadeva Jataka illustrates the fulfillment by Bodhisatta of the perfection (parami) of
(i) Nekkhamma (Renunciation) (ii) Upekkha (Equanimity)
(iii) Panna (Wisdom)
- (h) The first woman admitted to the order of nuns (Bhikkhunis) by the Buddha was
(i) Yasodara (ii) Maha Prajapathi Gotami
(iii) Janapada kalyani

- (i) The factors Right Speech, Right Action and Right Livelihood of the noble Eightfold Path are grouped under
- (i) Sila (Morality) (ii) Samadhi (Concentration)
(iii) Panna (Wisdom)
- (j) The Sixth Great Buddhist Council (Chatta maha sangayana) was held in
- (i) Matale (Sri Lanka) (ii) Rangoon (Myanmar)
(iii) Mandalay (Myanmar)

(20 Marks – 2 marks for each sub-section)

Part II

**** Answer four questions only – Write your answers on a separate sheet of paper and annex**

2. Why did Ascetic Siddhartha give up austerities? What was his next step?
3. Describe the special qualities of Ven Ananda Thera and his services to the Buddha as the Chief Attendant.
4. What were the main results and decisions of the “Third Buddhist Council?”
5. Explain any one of the ten perfections (parami) and narrate a jataka story illustrating it.
6. Summarise the events that led to the establishment of the Order of Nuns (Bhikkhunis)
7. Write short notes (Four Sentences) on any **TWO** of the following:
- (a) Ven. Rahula thera (b) Vinaya pitaka
(c) Visakha (d) Loving Kindness (Metta)

(20 Marks for each answer)
