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COLOMBO, SRI LANKA  
2553 Dhamma Examination 2009

Grade: Junior Part II  
Subject: Abhidhamma

Date: 28.06.2009  
Time: 1 hour 30 mints

**Part I**

**(Answer all Questions)**

**(2 x 10 marks)**

**Select the most suitable word or phrase to complete the sentence and underline**

1. (i) Lord Buddha delivered the Abhidhamma sermon during the  
(A) first (B) second  
(C) seventh (D) tenth vassana period (Rains retreat)
- (ii) Most special and higher teaching of the Buddha is found in  
(A) Vinaya Pitaka (B) Sutta Pitaka  
(C) Cariyā Pitaka (D) Abhidhamma Pitaka
- (iii) "Atthasālini" is the commentary of "Attha Kathā" written to  
(A) Dhammasangani (B) Vibhanga  
(C) Dhatu Kathā (D) Yamaka prakarana by Ven Buddhaghosa
- (iv) The number of absolute truths explained in Abhidhamma are  
(A) two (B) four (C) eight (D) eighty nine in number
- (v) Total number of consciousness (cittas) of the sense sphere (Kamavacara) is  
(A) twenty four (B) fifty four (C) twenty seven (D) eighty nine
- (vi) The total number of cetasikas is  
(A) thirteen (B) fourteen (C) twenty five (D) fifty two
- (vii) The number of mental factors which are common to all the cittas is  
(A) seven (B) ten (C) thirteen (D) twenty five
- (viii) Akusala cetasikas common to all unwholesome consciousness are  
(A) two (B) four (C) Six (D) ten in number
- (ix) The number mental factors which are beautiful and universal (common) is  
(A) seven (B) fourteen (C) nineteen (D) twenty five
- (x) According to Abhidhamma the Lokuttara magga cittas are  
(A) two (B) four (C) six (D) eight in number

**Part II**

**Answer four questions only**

- (1) What are the four types of consciousness (jati)? Give a brief description of the types and show the Number of cittas that come under each type.
- (2) What is “conventional truth”? explain briefly with examples.
- (3) Name the unwholesome consciousness (akusala cittas) under the different Roots.
- (4) What are the four common characteristics of mental factors in relation to cittas? Describe
- (5) How many unwholesome mental factors are there? Name ten of them.
- (6) Name the mental factors which are also roots (Hetu)
- (7) Write short notes on any four of the following.  

(A) Kāmavacara	(B) Vitakka	(C) Jhāna
(D) Phala citta	(E) Karunā	(F) Muditā
- (8) (i) Decline one of the following nouns in all cases.  

(A) Manussa	(B) Buddha
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(ii) Translate into English
  - (i) Narā Suriyan passanti
  - (ii) Gonā Pāsane titthanti
  - (iii) Manusso Gāme carati
  - (iv) Sakuno rukkhe nisidati
  - (v) Buddho dhammam bhāsati