

Certificate course in Bhakti Literature

Eligibility: S.S.C. / Equivalent. Basic knowledge of Sanskrit is preferable.

Fee structure: Rs. 3,000/- and Exam fees - Rs. 500/-

Passing: Minimum 40% individual Passing

Duration: Two hours per week on Saturday from July to March

Syllabus:

Paper I (written examination)	-	100 Marks
Unit I : Introduction to Bhakti, Origin and Development		(25 marks)
Unit II: Stotra Literature (Selection)		(25 marks)
Ganeshapancharatna, Achyutashtakam, Shivapanchaksharastotra, Mahishasuramardini, Madhurashtakam, Catuhshloki, Narmadashtakam, Shivatandavastotram, Bhaktamara stotram, Shri Buddhadeva Stotram		
Unit III : Narada Bhaktisutras and or Shandilya Bhaktisutras		(25 marks)
Unit IV : Bhakti and Saint tradition		(25 marks)
Varakari, Alwars, Nayanmars, Kabir, Sur, Raidas, Narasi Mehta, Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, Modern Iskon		
Dissertation (on any bhakti cult not included in the syllabus)		(25 marks)
Viva (stotra recital/ understanding of bhakti)		(25 marks)

Total	-	(150 marks)

Paper Pattern

Paper I –

		Marks
Unit I	General Question (any one of two)	25
Unit II	Critically appreciate stotras	25
Unit III	Explain the sutras (any two out of three)	25
Unit IV	Short notes any two or three	25

Bibliography

1. Bhaktikoshā- Vidyavachaspati Shankar Abhyankar, Aditya Pratishthan, Pune

2. Narada Bhaktisutra with English Translation, Swami Tyagishananda, Ramkrishna Math, Khar
3. Vaiṣṇavism Śaivism & other minor sects – R.G. Bhandarkar
4. Vishnuism and Shivaism- Jana Gonda
5. Stotravali- 1, 2, Prasad Prakashan, Pune