



**Department of Sanskrit**  
**University of Delhi**  
**Under Graduate Course for Sanskrit**  
**SEMESTER –II**  
**B.A. (Prog.) Under UGCF-22**

**UGCF for Multidisciplinary Courses of Study**

**SANSKRIT as MAJOR**

**DSC-3: Sanskrit Prose**

**Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course**

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credits distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Sanskrit Prose DSC - 3	04	03	01	0	Class XII Pass	Nil

**Learning Objectives:**

- This course aims to acquaint students with Classical Sanskrit Prose Literature.
- Origin and development of prose, important prose romances and Sanskrit fables are also included here for students to get acquainted with the beginnings of Sanskrit Prose literature.
- The course also seeks to help students to creatively and critically engage with texts.

**Learning outcomes:**

- The course will enable students enable students to familiarize themselves with some leading classical prose works and individual literary styles of their authors.
- After the completion of this course the learner will be exposed to the socio-cultural conditions of the Indian society as reflected in the prescribed texts.
- Course will also help students to develop their level of Sanskrit language comprehension.

## SYLLABUS OF DSC-3

### Unit: I

(15 Hrs)

#### Śukanāsopadeśa:

Introduction- Author/Text, Text up to page 116 of Prahlad Kumar upto यथा यथा चेयं चपला दीप्यते. समाप्तिपर्यन्त (up to the end of the text.)  
Society and political thought depicted in Śukanāsopadeśa, logical meaning and application of sayings.

### Unit: II

(15 Hrs)

#### Śivarājaviḥjayam, Niḥśwāsa-I

Para 1 to 20 Introduction- Author/Text, Text reading (Grammar, Translation, and Explanation), poetic excellence, plot, Timing of Action.

#### Śivarājaviḥjayam, Niḥśwāsa-II

From para 21 to the end of the text. Text reading (Grammar, Translation, and Explanation), Poetic excellence, plot, Timing of Action.

### Unit: III

(15 Hrs)

#### History of Sanskrit Literature: Prose:

Origin and development of prose and important prose romances. Subandhu, Bāṇa, Daṇḍin, Ambikādatta Vyāsa.

### Unit: IV

(15 Hrs)

#### Survey of Sanskrit Literature: Prose:

Pañcatantra, Hitopadeśa, Vetālapañcaviṃśatikā, Simhāsanadvātrimśikā and Puruṣaparīkṣā.

#### Essential/recommended readings:

1. प्रह्लाद कुमार. शुकनासोपदेश, मेहरचन्द लक्ष्मणदास, दिल्ली
2. भानुचन्द्रसिंह, शुकनासोपदेश: संस्कृत टीका तथा हिन्दी व्याख्या व अनुवाद सहित ।
3. रामनाथ शर्मा सुमन (व्या.) , शुकनासोपदेश, साहित्य भण्डार, दिल्ली, 1968 ।
4. शिवराजप्रजय – अम्बिकादत्तव्यास, व्या. – रमाशंकर मिश्र, चौखम्बा सुरभारती प्रकाशन, वाराणसी ।
5. शास्त्री, रामपाल, शुकनासोपदेश, चौखम्बा औरियन्टप्रिया, वाराणसी
6. झा, रमाकान्त, शुकनासोपदेश, चौखम्बा प्रद्याभवन, वाराणसी
7. देवनारायण मिश्र, शिवराजप्रजयम्, साहित्यभण्डार, मेरठ
8. पन्त, सुबोधचन्द्र एवं झा, प्रश्वनाथ, दशकुमारचरितम्, मोतीलाल बनारसीदास, दिल्ली
9. शर्मा, उमाशंकर ऋषि: संस्कृत साहित्य का इतिहास, चौखम्बा भारती अकादमी, वाराणसी

10. A.B. Keith, *History of Sanskrit Literature*, also Hindi translation, MLBD, Delhi (हिन्दी अनुवाद, मंगलदेव शास्त्री, मोतीलाल बनारसीदास, दिल्ली) ।
11. Krishnamachariar, *History of Classical Sanskrit Literature*, MLBD, Delhi.

#### **Additional Resources:**

1. उपाध्याय, बलदेव: संस्कृत साहित्य का इतिहास, शारदा निकेतन, वाराणसी
2. प्रीतिप्रभा, गोयल: संस्कृत साहित्य का इतिहास, राजस्थानी ग्रन्थगार, जोधपुर
3. त्रिपाठी, राधावल्लभ: संस्कृत साहित्य का अभिनव इतिहास, ष्वश्वद्व्यालय प्रकाशन, वाराणसी
4. M. Krishnamachariyar Shastri: *History of Classical Sanskrit Literature*, MLBD, Delhi
5. Gaurinath Shastri: *A Concise History of Sanskrit Literature*, MLBD, Delhi
6. Maurice, Winternitz: *Ancient Indian Literature (Vol.1-III)*, also Hindi Translation, MLBD, Delhi
7. Winternitz, Maurice: *Indian Literature (Vol. I-III)*, also Hindi Translation, MLBD, Delhi.

#### **Examination scheme and mode:**

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**SANSKRIT as MAJOR**

**DSC - 4: Sanskrit Drama**

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Sanskrit Drama DSC - 4	04	03	01	0	Class XII Pass	Nil

**Learning Objectives:**

This course is intended to acquaint the students with three of the most famous dramatic works of Sanskrit literature which represent the three stages of the development of Sanskrit drama.

**Learning Outcomes:**

- After completion of this course the students will be aware about the beauty and richness of classical Sanskrit dramatic tradition.
- This course will enhance the ability for critical thinking on issues of culture, polity, morality, religion etc as reflected in the prescribed texts.
- The course will make the students aware of the formal structures of Sanskrit drama in the tradition of Bharata's natya Shastra.

**SYLLABUS OF DSC - 4**

**Unit: I**

**(15 Hrs)**

**Dutavākya: Act I – Bhāsa**

First Act (प्रथम अङ्क) Introduction, Text Reading (Grammar, Translation, and Explanation), Poetic excellence, Plot.

**Unit: II****(15 Hrs)****Abhijñānaśākuntalam Act IV- Kālidāsa**

Text Reading (Grammar, Translation, Explanation), Poetic excellence, Plot, Timing of Action. Personification of nature. *kāvyeṣu nāṭakam ramyam, upamā*, Language of Kālidāsa, *dhvani* in Kālidāsa, Purpose and design behind *Abhijñānaśākuntalam* and other problems related to the text.

**Unit: III****(15 Hrs)****Technical Terms from Sanskrit Dramaturgy**

नाटक, नायक, नायिका, पूर्वरङ्ग, नान्दी, सूत्रधार, नेपथ्य, प्रस्तावना, कञ्चुकी, षट्दूषक, अङ्क, स्वगत, प्रकाश, अपवारित, जनान्तिक, आकाशभाषत, षष्कम्भक, प्रवेशक एवं भरतवाक्य।

**Unit: IV****(15 Hrs)****History of Sanskrit Drama (Origin and Development),****Some important dramatists:**

Bhāsa, Kālidāsa, Śūdraka, Viśākhadatta, Harṣa, Bhavabhūti, and their works.

**Teaching Learning Process:**

1. Since most learners will be new to classical Sanskrit drama, a step by step approach is recommended.
2. Teachers must read aloud the Sanskrit text and the students should repeat.
3. Teachers must help students in disjoining all sandhis and dissolving all samāsas.
4. Teachers will arrange words in verses according to the prose order (anvaya).
5. Students will identify the grammatical structure of each word.
6. Teachers will the guide students in translating each word and then the complete verse.
7. Teachers will discuss the social, political, cultural issues occurring in the text and their contemporary relevance.

**Suggested Reading:**

1. सुबोधचन्द्र पन्त, अभिज्ञानशाकुन्तलम्, मोतीलाल बनारसीदास, दिल्ली ।
2. सुरेन्द्रदेव शास्त्री, अभिज्ञानशाकुन्तलम्, रामनारायण बेनीप्रसाद, इलाहाबाद ।
3. नारायणराम आचार्य, अभिज्ञानशाकुन्तलम्, निर्णयसागर प्रेस ।
4. C.D. Devadhar (Ed.), Abhijñānaśākuntalam, MLBD, Delhi.
5. M.R. Kale (Ed.), Abhijñānaśākuntalam, MLBD, Delhi.
6. Gajendra Gadakar (Ed.), Abhijñānaśākuntalam.
7. Ramendramohan Bose, Abhijñānaśākuntalam, Modern Book Agency, Calcutta.
8. भागवतशरण उपाध्याय, काञ्चुकी, काञ्चुकी, भारतीय ज्ञानपीठ, काशी ।
9. हजारीप्रसाद द्विवेदी, काञ्चुकी, काञ्चुकी, राजकमल प्रकाशन, दिल्ली ।
10. पंकज कुमार शर्मा, शाकुन्तलद्वेषक रम्यत्व की अवधारणा, परिमल पब्लिकेशन, दिल्ली ।
11. Minakshi Dalal, Conflict in Sanskrit Drama, Somaiya Publication Pvt. Ltd.
12. Ratnamayi Dikshit, Women in Sanskrit Dramas, Meherchand Lacchman Das, Delhi.
13. A.B. Keith, Sanskrit Drama, Oxford University Press London, 1970.

14. Minakshi Dalal, Conflict in Sanskrit Drama, Somaiya Publication Pvt. Ltd.
15. G. K. Bhat, Sanskrit Drama, Karnataka University Press, Dharwar, 1975.
16. दूतवाक्यम् - भास, (हिन्दी व्याख्या) रामलाल सावल, गयाप्रसाद एण्ड सन्स, आगरा, १९७१

**Additional Resources:**

1. Mirashi, V.V. : *Kālidāsa*, Popular Publication, Mumbai.
2. Keith, A.B.: *History of Sanskrit Literature*, MLBD, Delhi.
3. Krishnamachariar : *History of Classical Sanskrit Literature*, MLBD, Delhi.
4. Gaurinath Shastri: *A Concise History of Sanskrit Literature*, MLBD, Delhi.
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