

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE - SANSKRIT

DSC-4 (Major) : Sanskrit Drama

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 Drama DSC - 4	04	03	01	0	Class 12TH 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

(45 hours Lectures and 15 hours Tutorials)

Unit: I

Dutavākyaṃ: Act I – Bhāsa

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

Unit: II

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

Technical Terms from Sanskrit Dramaturgy

नाटक, नायक, नायिका, पूर्वरङ्ग, नान्दी, सूत्रधार, नेपथ्य, प्रस्तावना, कञ्चुकी, विदूषक, अङ्क, स्वगत, प्रकाश, अपवारित, जनान्तिक, आकाशभाषित, विष्कम्भक, प्रवेशक एवं भरतवाक्य।

Unit: IV

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 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, कालिदास, कवि और काव्य, भारतीय ज्ञानपीठ, काशी ।
9. हजारीप्रसाद द्विवेदी, कालिदास की लालित्य योजना, राजकमल प्रकाशन, दिल्ली ।
10. पंकज कुमार मिश्र, शाकुन्तलविषयक 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