

**Department of Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit  
Bhasha-Bhavana, Vishva-Bharati  
Syllabus for Diploma  
in Pali Language and Literature**

## **Paper – I: Prose Texts**

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1. Mahaparinirbāna Suttas – Dighanikāya Vol. II, pp. 70-72 (Pātaliputtanagaram āpanam)
  2. Vannupatha Jātaka – Jātaka Vol. I, (P.T.S.), pp. 106-110 (Nalanda Edition).
  3. Bāveru Jātaka – Jātaka, (P.T.S.), Vol. III, (Jātaka No. 339), pp. 126-128.
  4. Jīvaka Komārabhacca-Vinayapiṭaka-Mahāvagga, pp. 286-288 (Nalanda Edition)
  5. City of Sagal – Milinda-Panho, Vol.?, pp. 1-2 (P.T.S.)

## **Paper – II: Poetry Texts**

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1. Bhikkhuvagga/Brāhmaṇavagga, Dhammapada, Khuddakanikāya, Vol. I, pp. 51-53, (Nalanda Edition)
  2. Gāthās Mahāpajāpati – Therigāthā, Khuddakanikāya, Vol. II, p. 425, (Nalanda Edition)
  3. Khaggavisāna sutta – Sutta Nipāta, Khuddakanikāya, Vol. I, p. 274, (Nalanda Edition)
  4. Dhaniya sutta – Suttanipata, Khuddakanikāya, Vol. I, p. 271, (Nalanda Edition)
  5. Mampala sutta – Khuddaka Pātha, Khuddakanikāya, Vol. p. 5, (Nalanda Edition)

## **Paper-III: Language**

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| 1. Elements of Pali Grammar (kāraka, vibhakti, sandhi, itthi-Paccaya, nāma-dhatu | 60 |
| 2. Translation from Pali into English  | 10 |
| 3. Translation from English to Pali  | 10 |

## **Paper-IV: Viva Voce**

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1. Elements of the history of Pali language and literature (Pali language, its origin and home land, Three Pitakas' Commentators – Buddhaghosa, Dhammapala Buddhadatta, Milindapañho)
  2. Reading and understanding of unseen Pali passages 10
  3. Questions on prescribed Texts: I and II 20
  4. Simple conversation Pali 10

[20% for internal assessment in each paper]