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**Grade : Advanc Diploma**  
**Subject : Dhamma**

**Date : 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023**  
**Time : 3 hours**

Answer any five Questions.

1. “The social evils that prevailed in India were prevented by the Buddha”  
Discuss the validity of this statement.
2. “Buddhist doctrine has to be (a) learned (b) practiced (c) and realized”  
Discuss this statement in relation to the present methods of practicing.
3. Compare and contrast the “hindrances” faced by practitioners in relation to the “ten fetters” (dasa sanyojana) faced in the higher development for liberation.
4. Discuss the statement “With Kalamasutta the Buddha commenced the charter for free thinking” Give your own observation.
5. “All the main principles in Buddhism are included in the Doctrine of Dependent origination. Discuss the validity of this statement giving reasons.
6. At the time of Parinibbana, the Buddha emphasized the need to practice by stating “Appamadena Sampadetha”. Describe in detail how practicing could be performed through “ Appamada”
7. Discuss the senior positions held by Ven. Bikkunis who were given high recognition by the Buddha.
8. What were the objectives achieved in prescribing Rules of conduct and Discipline (vinaya) for the Sangha. Discuss the significance of Vinaya Rules.
9. Describe in your words the meaning of the principle laid down in the following stanza of Dhammapada (103)

Yo sahasan sahasena  
Sangame manuse jine  
Ekam ca jeyya attanam  
Sa ve sangamajuttamo

10. Write short notes on any four of the following;

a. Sunyagara                      b. asmi – manaya                      c. Aluviharaya  
d. Samudaya Satya              e. Vedana                                  f. Phassa

(20 marks for each answer)