

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS
B.A. DEGREE PROGRAMME IN PHILOSOPHY
 SYLLABUS WITH EFFECT FROM 2023-2024

Core Course – CC VIII
Essentials of Saiva Siddhanta

Subject Code	Subject Name	Category	L	T	P	S	Credits	Inst. Hours	Marks		
									CIA	External	Total
209C4B	Essentials of Saiva Siddhanta	Core	Y	-	-	-	5	5	25	75	100
Pre - requisite	Having Knowledge of Saivism										
<u>Learning Objectives</u>											
LO1	Understand the various sources and development of Saivism and its contribution to the society										
LO2	Describe the metaphysical concepts Pati, Pasu, and Pasam										
LO3	Comprehend the Saiva siddhanta's means to liberation										
LO4	Enunciate the pramanas of Saiva siddhanta										
LO5	Analyze the relation of Saiva siddhanta to cosmology and theological categories of Agamic and Vedic Shaivism.										

Units	Course Syllabus
Unit – 1	Origin of Saivism - Sources-Vedas –Upanishads-Saiva Agamas- Saiva Puranas
Unit – 2	Contribution of Nayanmars and Samaya Kuravas to Bhakti Movement-Saiva Siddhanta literature –Adagan Murai and Panniru Thirumurai-14 Meikanda Sathiras- Sivajnana Bodham- Text with commentary (Religious and Philosophical ideas)
Unit – 3	Theory of Knowledge - Pramanas – Prathiyatsha- Anumanam-Sapdapramana - Nature of Truth and Error-Metaphysics – Nature of Pati (GOD) -Arguments for the Existence of God-Nirguna and Saguna-Panja Kiruthiyangal-Grace
Unit – 4:	Pasu (SOUL)–Nature-Arguments for the Existence of Soul-Plurality of Soul-Relation between God and Soul. Pasa-Nature of Pasa –Kinds of Pasas-Anava –kanma-and Maya- Creation of World.
Unit – 5:	Liberation (Realization) - Means of release- Carya, Kriya, Yoga - Stages towards release-Iruvinai Oppu-Malaparipakam- - Nature of release.

Course out Come:	
1	Got introduced to the literatures of the Saiva Siddhanta
2	Understand the various sources and development of Saivism and its contribution
3	Understands thoroughly the metaphysical concepts Pati, Pasu, and Pasam
4	Comprehend the Saiva Siddhanta's means to liberation
5	Gets acquainted with the pramanas of Saiva siddhanta

Books for Reading:	
1.	Grace in Saiva Siddhanta- A Study of Tiruvarutpayan.
2.	Studies In Saiva-Siddhanta Paperback – by J. M. Nallaswami Pillai (Author), V. V.

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Ramana Sastrin (Introduction)
3. Dravidian Philosophy- with Special Reference to Saiva Siddhanta, Author: C. Sam Christopher Publisher: Dravidian University Campus
4. St. Umapati's Six Saiva Siddhanta Sastras, Author: T.N.Ramachandran, Publisher: Saint Sekkizhar School Of Saiva Siddhanta, Thanjavur
5. Philosophical Anthropology in Saiva Siddhanta, Author: Jayandra Soni, Publisher: Motilal Banarsidass Publishers Pvt. Ltd.

Reference Book :
1. Philosophical Anthropology in Saiva Siddhanta, Author: Jayandra Soni, Publisher: Motilal Banarsidass Publishers Pvt. Ltd.
2. Saiva Siddhantam by Sekkizhar Adl - Podi T N Ramachandran, Franklin Classics: Sekkizhar Adl - Podi T N Ramachandran, Publisher: Franklin Classics
3. Saiva Traditions Through the Ages, Author:A.P Singh, Publisher:Agam Kala Prakashan, Delhi

Web Resources
1. https://shaivam.org/saiva-siddhanta
2. https://www.britannica.com/topic/Shiva-siddhanta
3. https://www.saivism.net/sects/siddha/siddhasaivism.asp

Mapping with Programme Outcomes:

	PO 1	PO 2	PO 3	PO 4	PO 5	PO 6	PO 7	PO 8	PO 9	PO 10
CO 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
CO 2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
CO 3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2
CO 4	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2
CO 5	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2

Strong (3) Medium (2) Low (1)

Mapping with Programme Specific Outcomes:

	PO 1	PO 2	PO 3	PO 4	PO 5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9	PO10
CO 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
CO 2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
CO 3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
CO 4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
CO 5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Weightage	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Weighted percentage of course contribution to POS	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0	5-0

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