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Backlog Arrear Examination, March 2021

## **RPS 2432: SAIVA SIDDHANTA**

Time: 3 Hrs

Marks: 75

## Answer any FIVE of the following questions, each not exceeding 4 pages: $5 \ge 15 = 75$

- 1. Explain the essential features of Saiva Siddhanta.
- 2. Expound the different sects or divisions of Saivism.
- 3. Illustrate Panniru Thirumurai with specific references to Thirumanthiram.
- 4. Examine the conception of Pati, Pasu and Pasam.
- 5. Analyze the brief exposition to Sivajnana Potham.
- 6. Bring out the salient features of Periapuranam.
- 7. Discuss the nature of Sivan mukhtar and Sivanandiyars with examples.