



**SOMAIYA**  
VIDYAVIHAR UNIVERSITY

K J Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies

## **Syllabus**

### **Diploma in Indian Wisdom Traditions**

**From  
Academic Year 2021-22**

**Revision 1**

**K J Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies  
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(Constituent Academic Unit of SVU)**

**Programme Objectives:** Ancient Indian literature preserved in Sanskrit, Prakrit and Pali is a vast repository across several genres. This programme has been specifically designed for close reading of a text with a teacher, drawing out meaning with the aid of commentarial materials. Students will also be led through appreciation of the literary composition, as well as the philosophical and historical context.

The programme will be conducted in audit mode.

Every year, a single text or thematic selections from a collection of texts will be offered for the text-reading activity. The texts could include:

- Bhagavad Gītā
- Selections from Upaniṣads
- Kauṭīliya's Arthaśāstra
- Buddhist Sanskrit literature: Buddhacarita / Lalitavistara / Bodhicaryāvatāra

The selection will be announced at the beginning of each academic year. For the year 2022-23, there will be an option to study one or both of the following texts:

- Bhagavad Gītā
- Bodhicaryāvatāra

**Eligibility:** Minimum HSC or equivalent examination. Knowledge of Sanskrit (for both texts), or Tibetan (for Bodhicaryāvatāra), will be helpful but not essential.

**Duration:** Two Semesters

**Semester I****Credit Scheme**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Teaching Scheme (Hrs.)</b> <b>TH – W – TUT</b>	<b>Total (Hrs.)</b>	<b>Credits Assigned</b> <b>TH – W – TUT</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>
132N62C101*	Bhagavad Gītā (Adhyāya 1 - 9)  and / or  Bodhicaryāvatāra Chapters 1 to 6	4– 0 – 1	05	0 – 0 – 0	00

**Semester II****Credit Scheme**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Teaching Scheme (Hrs.)</b> <b>TH – W – TUT</b>	<b>Total (Hrs.)</b>	<b>Credits Assigned</b> <b>TH – W – TUT</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>
132N62C201*	Bhagavad Gītā (Adhyāya 10 - 18)  and / or  Bodhicaryāvatāra Chapters 7 to 10	4– 0 – 1	05	0 – 0 – 0	00

\* Different text/s will be selected every year.

