

CORE COURSE V - SAIVA SIDDHANTA

- UNIT- I : Introduction : Traces of Saivism in Vedas and Upanisads, Agamas - Scriptures Meykanda Sastras - Tirumurais.
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- UNIT-III: Metaphysics: Three eternal realities - Concept of God - Concept of Soul - Concept of pasa - Anava - Karma - Maya.
- UNIT- IV: Ethics: Means to Release - Carya - Kriya - Yoga and Jnana - Iruvinaiooppu - Malaparipaka - Saktinipada Nature of Mukti - Jivan Mukti - Dasacaryam
- UNIT- V: Saiva Siddhanta in relation to virasaivism and Kashmir Saivism.

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