

**PAPER-IX - SCHOOL OF SAIVISM**

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Virasaivism – History of Virasaivism – Literature – Concept of God – Linga – Bakti – Soul - Ethics – Satsthala – Ashtavarna – Pancasara

Unit 5:

Saivasiddhanta – God – World – Soul – Bondage – Means to Release – Nature of Mukti

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