SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER 01

Life and date of the author

This chapter deals with the problem of the authorship of Sarvasiddhānta-sangraha and it furnishes ample evidence to prove Ādi Śankarācārya as the author of the present text. It also presents the Life, date & works.

This chapter also discusses the purpose of undertaking the study of this text *viz*. Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha.

CHAPTER 02

A detailed study of Sarva-siddhänta-sangraha (Verse-wise summary & observations)

This chapter presents the verse-wise summary of the Sarvasiddhānta-sangraha. The summary of 12 chapters is supplied with the relevant notes and observations thereon.

CHAPTER 03

Literary Style of Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha

This chapter discusses the literary style of Ādi Śankarācārya. It also gives ample examples of his extraordinary style. The discussion is carried out under 09 heads such as, (01) Well known order of 06 Systems, (02) Direct involvement (bold style), (03) Succeeding refuting the preceding, (04) Arguments and Solutions, (05) Enumeration of topics or elements, (06) Upanishadic and other ideologies, (07) Figures-of-speech, (08) Importance of other *śāstras* and (09) Employment of inter-complimentary words.

CHAPTER 04

Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha & Sarva-darśana-sangraha and the atheist ($N\bar{a}stika$) as well as theist ($\bar{A}stika$) systems of philosophy

This chapter furnishes the general outline and the brief comparative study of the Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha and Sarvadarśana-sangraha.

It also presents the summary of 03 atheist and 08 theist systems with their comparison with those dealt with in the Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha.

CHAPTER 05

Contribution of Ādi Śankarācārya (with special reference to Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha)

This chapter is the concluding chapter and hence it focuses on the special contribution of Ādi Śankarācārya in writing this work.

The thesis contains 08 appendices as follows:

- 1. Text with English translation
- 2. Alphabetical index of verses
- 3. Alphabetical index of Pādas
- 4. Some important words
- 5. Some extracts of comparison (Sarva-siddhānta-sangraha & Sarva-darśana-sangraha)
- 6. Concordance of SSS CH 10 with the Yogasūtras
- 7. Qualities and their characteristics (with special reference to Chapter 11/4 - 30)
- 8. Evolution of the attributes

(with special reference to Chapter 12)

The thesis ends with an exhaustive **Bibliography**.

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