

**PHILOSOPHY**  
**I SEMESTER**  
**Paper – I**  
**EPISTEMOLOGY AND METAPHYSICS**

*Semester Exam: 75*  
*Continuous assessment: 25*  
*Full mark: 100*  
*Time: 3 hrs*

**UNIT I: INTRODUCTION**

- (a) Concepts And Methods Of Philosophy
- (b) Meaning of Philosophy ( Indian and Western)
- (c) Relation of Philosophy to Science and Religion
- (d) Methods of Philosophy (Plato and Samkara)

**UNIT II: SOURCES OF KNOWLEDGE**

- (a) Western : Empiricism, Rationalism and Transcendental Idealism
- (b) Indian : Perception, Inference and Verbal testimony

**UNIT III: THEORIES OF TRUTH**

- (a) Coherence
- (b) Correspondence and Pragmatism
- (c) Pramanyavada ( Different schools of thought)

**UNIT IV: THEORIES OF REALITY (Western and Indian)**

- (a) Monism, Dualism, Pluralism
- (b) Materialism, Idealism, Realism

**UNIT V: METAPHYSICAL CATEGORIES**

- (a) Substance and Causality
- (b) Space and Time

**Suggested Readings:**

1. John Hospers : *An introduction to Philosophical Analysis*, Allied Publishers, N. Delhi. 1980
2. Patrick : *An Introduction to Philosophy*, Surjeet Publication, N. Delhi. 1978
3. Taylor, A.E : *Elements of Metaphysics*, Surjeet Publication, N. Delhi. 2001
4. Walsh, W. H: *Kant's Criticism of Metaphysics*, University Press Edinburgh. 1997
5. D.M. Dutta and S.C. Chatterjee : *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*. University of Calcutta, 1984
6. Russel, B: *Problem of Philosophy*, Oxford University Press. 1912
7. Sharma C. D: *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidass Publishers, Delhi. 1975
8. Hiriyanna, M : *The Essentials of Indian Philosophy*, George Allen and Unwin London 1985
9. Hiriyanna, M : *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidass. 1993

10. Smith N, K. (Trans): *Immanuel Kant's critique of Pure Reason*. Mac Millan Press Ltd. 1773, pp (41-91).
11. Sinha, J. N: *Indian Philosophy* (Volume 1 to 3, relevant chapters), New Central Book Agency. 1987

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### **II SEMESTER**

#### **Paper – II**

#### **ETHICS**

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#### **UNIT I: INTRODUCTION**

- (a) Nature And Scope Of Ethics
- (b) Nature of Moral Judgement
- (c) Moral, Immoral, A-moral, Non-moral actions
- (d) Object of Moral Judgement.
- (e) Motive and intention.

#### **UNIT II: MORAL CONCEPTS**

- (a) Concept of Good, Right, Duty, Virtue
- (b) Virtue Ethics : Aristotle
- (c) Meta Ethics: Different theories

#### **UNIT III: ETHICAL THEORIES**

- (a) Teleological : Hedonism, Utilitarianism and Perfectionism
- (b) Deontological : Ethics of Kant (Categorical Imperative)
- (c) Theories of Punishment

#### **UNIT IV: INDIAN ETHICAL IDEALS**

- (a) Niskama Karma
- (b) Purusarthas and their inter relations
- (c) Buddhists Ethics : Four noble truths
- (d) Jainism: Anuvratas and Mahavratas

#### **UNIT V: ETHICAL PROBLEMS**

- (a) Euthanasia , Amniocentesis
- (b) Animal ethics
- (c) Environmental ethics
- (d) Abortion

#### **Suggested Readings:**

1. Frankena, W: *Ethics*, Prentice Hall of India. N. Delhi. 1973

2. Lillie, W : *Introduction to Ethics*, Allied Publisher Limited. 1955
3. Hare, R. M. : *The Language of Morals*, Oxford University Press, 1991
4. Mackenzie, John S: *A Manual of Ethics*, Surjeet Publications, Delhi. 1997
5. Singer, Peter : *Practical ethics*, Cambridge University Press ( Relevant topics). 2011
6. Chakraborty, D. K: *Problems of Analytic Ethics*, Mohan Prakash, Guwahati. 1989
7. Mahadavan, T.M.P: *Outlines of Hinduism*, Chetana Limited, Bombay, 1956
8. Iyer, Raghavan, M : *The Moral and Political Thought of Mahatma Gandhi*, Oxford University Press, London. 2000.
9. Sharma I.C : *Ethical philosophies of Indian*, George Allen and Unwin London, 1956
10. Aristotle: *Nichomachean Ethics*. Book Six, with Essays, Notes, and Translation, Nabu Press. 2013
11. C. Sharma: *Ethical Philosophies of India*, George Allen & Unwin, Ltd.; First edition .1965
12. Surama Dasgupta: *Development of Moral philosophy in India*, F. Ungar Pub. Co; n edition. 1965
13. Shanti Nath Gupta: *The Indian concept of values: South Asia Books* .1978
14. P. V. Kane: *The History of the Dharmashastras* : Vol. I, Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan; 2010 edition 2010
15. Judith Jarvis Thomson: *A defence of Abortion: Philosophy and Public Affairs* 1 (1):47-66 .1971.
16. William Brennan: *Dehumanizing the Vulnerable: When Word Games Take Lives* : Life Cycle Books, Ltd. 2000

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### CORE SUBJECT – III SEMESTER

#### Paper – III

#### LOGIC

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#### UNIT I: BASIC CONCEPTS

- (a) What is logic?
- (b) Sentences, Judgments, Statements/Propositions
- (c) Arguments
- (d) Truth, Validity and Soundness

#### UNIT II: INFORMAL LOGIC

- (a) Language Functions
- (b) Definitions and their uses
- (c) The structure of definitions : extension and intension( denotation and connotation)
- (d) Rules of definitions by genus and difference

#### UNIT III: FALLACIES

- (a) Fallacy : Formal and Informal

- (b) Fallacies of relevance
- (c) Fallacies of presumption
- (d) Fallacies of defective induction
- (e) Fallacies of ambiguity

**UNIT IV: DEDUCTION**

- (a) Classes and Classification of Propositions and Traditional Square of Opposition
- (b) The question of existential Import
- (c) Categorical syllogism
- (d) Laws of Thought – Modern interpretation

**UNIT V: SYMBOLIC LOGIC**

- (a) Use of symbols – constants and variables
- (b) Truth Function : Negation, Conjunction, Disjunction, Implication and Equivalence
- (c) Tautology, Contradictory and Contingent.
- (d) Techniques of Symbolization and the Construction of Truth Tables.

**Suggested Readings:-**

1. Irving M. Copi and Carl Cohen: *Introduction to Logic* (Thirteenth Edition), Prentice Hall Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi. 2009
2. I.M Copi : *Symbolic Logic* (Fifth edition), Prentice Hall, N. Delhi. 1979
3. M. R. Cohen and E. Nagel: *Introduction to Logic and Scientific Method*: Allied Publishers. Pvt. Ltd. Delhi 1972
4. M.R. Cohen and E. Nagel : *Introduction to Logic*: Routledge and Kegan Paul Ltd. London. 1934
5. O' Connor, D.J. and Basson, A.H: *Introduction to Symbolic Logic*: Oxford University Press.1998
6. Suppes, Patric: *Introduction to Logic*: Affiliated East West Press Pvt. Ltd. 1993.

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**IV SEMESTER**

**Paper – IV**

**HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY**

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**UNIT I: GREEK PHILOSOPHY**

Plato

- (a) Theory of Knowledge
- (b) Theory of Forms

Aristotle

- (c) Form and Matter
- (d) Theory of Causation

## UNIT II: DESCARTES, SPINOZA, LEIBNITZ

### Descartes

- (a) Method of Doubt
- (b) Substance

### Spinoza

- (c) Substance

### Leibnitz

- (d) Monadology (Doctrine of Pre-established harmony, truth of reason and truth of facts, innateness of all ideas, principles of non-contradiction and sufficient reason, identity of indiscernible)

## UNIT III: LOCKE, BERKELEY, HUME

- (a) Locke –Representationism, knowledge and its grades.
- (b) Berkeley –Subjective Idealism
- (c) Hume- Impression and Ideas, Causality

## UNIT IV: IMMANUEL KANT

- (a) Conception of critical philosophy
- (b) Classification of Judgements – analytic and synthetic, a priori and a posteriori
- (c) Possibility of Synthetic a priori Judgement
- (d) Space and time as form of sensible intuition.

## UNIT V: HEGEL AND MARX

- (a) Dialectical method( Hegel and Marx)
- (b) Historical method (Marx)
- (c) Absolute Idealism (Hegel)

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1. Masih, Y : *A Critical History of Western Philosophy*; Motilal Banarsidass, N. Delhi. 1994
2. Copleston, F. SJ : *A History of Philosophy* ; Burns and Dates Limited, London; Vol. III (1996), IV (1971), V (1968), VI (1968).
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6. Benneth, Jonathan : *Locke, Berkeley, Hume Central themes*, Oxford University Press 1971
7. Stace, W. T : *Critical History of Greek Philosophy*; Macmillan 1972
8. Barlingay and Kulkarni, P.B: *A Critical Survey of Western Philosophy*, Macmillan Company of India, 1980.
9. Seruton, Rogers : *A Short History of Modern Philosophy*; Routledge Classics, London 1994
10. Das, Rashvihari : *A Handbook to Kant's Critique of Pure Reason*, Progressive Publishers, 1968.
11. Campbell Cornforth, Maurice: *Dialectical Materialism*, Lawrence & Wishart, 1952.
12. Harris, Errol : *Fundamentals of Philosophy*; George Allen and Unwin Limited, London 1969