#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/I/EC/01 – I SEMESTER

# Paper - I

#### EPISTEMOLOGY AND METAPHYSICS

Credit = 6

biectives -

- To enable student understand the general concepts and methods of philosophy. To help student to have adequate knowledge of different philosophical theories and metaphysical
- categories (Western and Indian).

NIT I: INTRODUCTION

- (a) Concepts, Basic of Philosophy- Reality, Truth, Cause and Effect Relation
  - b) Meaning of Philosophy (Indian and Western)
  - c) Relation of Philosophy to Science
  - Relation of Philosophy to Religion

# NIT II: SOURCES OF KNOWLEDGE

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

# NIT III: THEORIES OF TRUTH

- a) Correspondence
- b) Coherence
- c) Pragmatism
- d) Pramanyavada

# NIT IV: THEORIES OF REALITY (Western and Indian)

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

#### NIT V: METAPHYSICAL CATEGORIES

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

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- 2. Patrick : An Introduction to Philosophy, Surject Publication, N. Delhi. 1978
- 3. Taylor, A.E: Elements of Metaphysics, Surject Publication, N. Delhi. 2001
- 4. D.M. Dutta and S.C. Chaterjee: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy. University of Calcutta, 1984
- 5. Russel, B. Problem of Philosophy, Oxford University Press. 1912
- Sharma C. D. A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy, Motilal Banarsidass Publishers, Delhi. 1975
- Bahm, A.J; Philosophy: An Introduction. Asia Pub. House, New Delhi 1964.
- 8. Lewis, John; Introduction to Philosophy. Watts and Co., London 1954.
- Harold H. Titus, Living Issues in Philosophy, American Book Company, new York 1964
- 10. Nikunja Vihari Banerjee: The Spirit of Indian Philosophy: Arnold-Heinemann Publishers, New Delhi: 1974

## PHILOSOPHY PHIL/II/EC/02- II SEMESTER

Paper - II ETHICS

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

The course aims at introducing the student to the basic concepts of ethics, ethical theories, ethical ideals and ethical consequences.

# INIT I: INTRODUCTION

- a) Nature and Scope Of Ethics
- b) Nature of Moral Judgement
- c) Object of Moral Judgement.
- d) Motive and intention.

# INIT II: MORAL CONCEPTS

- a) Good
- b) Right and Duty
- c) Virtue
- d) Postulates of Moral Judgement

# UNIT III: ETHICAL THEORIES

- a) Hedonism
- b) Utilitarianism
- c) Perfectionism
- d) Deontological: Ethics of Kant (Categorical Imperative)

# UNIT IV: INDIAN ETHICAL IDEALS

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

# UNIT V: THEORIES OF PUNISHMENT

- a) Preventive
- b) Reformative
- c) Retributive
- d) Capital punishment

- Frankena, W: Ethics, Prentice Hall of India. N. Delhi. 1973
- 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, Surject Publications, Delhi. 1997
- Singer, Peter: Practical ethics, Cambridge University Press (Relevant topics). 2011
- 6. Aristotle: Nichomachean Ethics. Book Six, with Essays, Notes, and Translation, Nabu Press. 2013
- 7. Surama Dasgupta: Development of Moral philosophy in India, F. Ungar Pub. Co; n edition. 1965
- 8. Dr Balkrishna S. Pandit: Ethics, SBD Publishers. 2009 9. Roy W. Perret: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy, Cambridge University Press. 2016

## PHILOSOPHY PHIL/III/EC/03- III SEMESTER

Paper - III LOGIC

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

- To enable the student to understand deductive and inductive reasoning.
- To highlight the logical features of ordinary discourse, to develop understanding of different functions of language and fallacies committed in everyday discourse.
- To introduce student to some points of contrast and of contact between behaviors of words in ordinary speech and behavior of symbols in a logical system.

# UNIT I: BASIC CONCEPTS

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

# NIT 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

# NIT III: FALLACIES

- a) Fallacy: Formal and Informal
- お) Fallacies of relevance
- c) Fallacies of presumption
- A) Fallacies of defective induction
- e) Fallacies of ambiguity

# INIT IV: DEDUCTION

- a) Classification of Propositions
- by Traditional Square of Opposition
- Categorical syllogism
- A) Laws of Thought

# INIT 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.

- Irving M. Copi and Carl Cohen: Introduction to Logic, Prentice Hall Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi. 2009
- 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.
- 4. M.R. Cohen and E. Nagel: Introduction to Logic: Routledge and Kegan Paul Ltd. London. 1934
- O' Connor, D.J. and Basson, A.H: Introduction to Symbolic Logic: Oxford University Press. 1998
- Suppes, Patric: Introduction to Logic: Affiliated East West Press Pvt. Ltd. 1993.
- L.S. Stebbing A Modern Introduction to Logic
- Cohen and Nagel Logic and Scientific Method
- 9. Patrick J. Hurley A Concise Introduction to Logic
- 10. Chakraborti C: Logic: Formal, Symbolic and Inductive. PHI, New Delhi, 2009.

#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/IV/EC/04- IV SEMESTER

## Paper - IV

# MODERN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

- To develop in the student systematic and critical understanding of the basic concepts and problems in Modern Western Philosophy.
- Modern Western Philosophy exhibits a shift in emphasis to problems of knowledge. While some philosophers traced to origin and validity of knowledge primarily to reason, other traced to sense experience.
- Kant criticised both and suggested a different framework in which emphasis was placed on the contribution of the knowing mind.
- To explain to the student how this paper would examine the question, how knowledge of reality becomes possible and what can and can not be known by using different methods.

# UNIT I: DESCARTES

- a) Theory of Ideas
- b) Method of Doubt
- c) Substance
- d) Mind and Body Dualism

# UNIT II: SPINOZA AND LEIBNITZ

- a) Spinoza: Substance, Attributes and Modes b) Leibnitz- 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

# NIT III: LOCKE, BERKELEY, HUME

- a) Locke-Representationism, Primary and Secondary Qualities, Knowledge and its grades.
- b) Berkeley Esse est Percipi, Subjective Idealism
- c) Hume-Impressions and Ideas, Causality

# NIT IV: IMMANUEL KANT

- b) Classification of Judgements analytic and synthetic, a priori and a posterior
- c) Possibility of Synthetic a priori Judgement
- d) Space and time as form of sensible intuition.

# NIT V: HEGEL AND MARX

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

- uggested Readings:-
- Masih, Y : A Critical History of Western Philosophy; Motilal Banarsidass, N. Delhi. 1994 Copleston, F. SJ: A History of Philosophy; Burns and Dates Limited, London; Vol. III (1996), IV (1971), V 1.

  - 3. Russel. B: History of Western Philosophy; Allen and Unwin, London 1963 4. Barlingay and Kulkarni, P.B: A Critical Survey of Western Philosophy, Macmillan Company of India, 1980.
  - Scruton, Rogers : A Short History of Modern Philosophy; Routledge Classics, London 1994
  - Campbell Cornforth, Maurice: Dialectical Materialism, Lawrence & Wishart, 1952.
  - Harris, Errol: Fundamentals of Philosophy; George Allen and Unwin Limited, London 1969
  - 8. Marx, Karl. Karl Marx: Selected Writings. Edited by Lawrence H. Simon. Indianapolis: Hackett Publishing
  - 9. Taylor, Richard, ed. The Empiricists. New York: Anchor Books, 1974.
  - 10. Taylor, Richard, ed. The Rationalists. New York: Anchor Books, 1964.
  - 11. Hegel, Georg. Phenomenology of Spirit. Translated by A V Miller. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1977.

  - 13. Achielle, Loria. Karl Marx. Translated by Eden Paul and Cedar Paul. London: Routledge, 2016.
  - Smith, N.K.: Immanuel Kant's Critique of Pure Reason (Abridged Edition), London, Macmillan, 1952

# PHILOSOPHY PHIL/V/CC/05- V SEMESTER

#### Paper - V INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

To enable the student understand the meaning, different concepts and theories in Indian Philosophy.

# UNIT I: INTRODUCTION

- a) Meaning of Darshana
- b) Distinctive Features of Indian Philosophy
- c) The Vedas and Upanishads
- d) The Orthodox Heterodox distinction

# UNIT II: CARVAKA, JAINISM, BUDDHISM

- a) Carvaka Materialism, Ethics
- b) Jainism Anekantavada, Syadvada
- c) Buddhism Ksanikavada, Pratityasamudpada

# INIT III: NYAYA, VAISESIKA AND MIMAMSA

- a) Nyaya Pratyaksa, Anumana, Sabda
- b) Vaisesika Padarthas
- c) Mimamsa-Sruti and its importance

# NIT IV: SAMKHYA AND YOGA

- a) Samkhya Prakrti: its constituents, evolutes and arguments for its existence Purusa: Arguments for its existence; plurality of Purusa; Relationship between PrakrtiandPurusa
- b) Yoga Citta and CittaVrtti Eight-fold path - Ashtanga yoga

# NIT V: VEDANTA – SAMKARA AND RAMANUJA

- a) Brahman Saguna and Nirguna
- b) Maya and its refutation
- c) Vivartavada
- d) Parinamavada

- 1. M. Hiriyanna: Outline of Indian Philosophy, Motilal Banarsidass Publications, N. Delhi 1983
- 2. C. D. Sharma: Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy; Motilal Banarsidass Publications, N. Delhi
- 3. P. T. Raju: Structural Depths of Indian Thought, South Asian Publishers, N. Delhi 1985
- S.N. Dasgupta: A history of Indian Philosophy, Vols I to V; Motilal Banarssidas, Delhi 1975
- 5. T. M. P. Mahadevan: Invitation to Indian Philosophy: Arnold Heinemann Publishers (India) Pvt.
- S. Radhakrishnan: Indian Philosophy, Vol I and Vol II, Oxford University Press, Delhi 1989
- 7. D.M. Dutta and S.C. Chaterjee: An Introduction to Indian Philosophy. University of Calcutta, 1984.
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- 9. NikunjaVihari Banerjee: The Spirit of Indian Philosophy, Arnold-Heinemann publishers, New Delhi. 1974.

# PHILOSOPHY PHIL/V/CC/06- V SEMESTER Paper - VI PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

 To acquaint the student about the significance and nature of philosophy of religion and to discuss basic problems within religion.

#### INIT I: INTRODUCTION

- a) Philosophy of religion nature and concerns
- b) Definitions of religion
- c) Theology and philosophy of religion
- d) Religion and science

#### UNIT II: PROOF FOR THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

- a) Cosmological
- b) Teleological
- c) Moral
- d) Ontological

#### UNIT III: FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

- a) Reason
- b) Faith
- c) Revelation
- d) Mystic experience (Mysticism)

#### UNIT IV: SUFFERING AND LIBERATION

- a) Christianity
- b) Hinduism
- c) Buddhism
- d) Islam

#### UNIT V: SOME SOCIO-RELIGIOUS ISSUES:

- a) The problem of Evil
- b) Religious Conversion
- c) Cognitivist and Non-Cognitivist Debate
- d) Possibility of Inter-religious dialogue

- 1. John Hick: Philosophy of religion, Pearson Prentice Hall 1990 Pvt. Ltd. N. Delhi
- John Hick (Ed): Classical and Contemporary Readings in philosophy of religion, Prentice-Hall, 1970
- 3. John Hick: An Interpretation of Religion, Yale University Press, 2005
- 4. John Caird: An introduction to the Philosophy of Religion, J. Maclehose and sons, 1894
- 5. Nielsen, K: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion: New York: St Martin's Press, 1982.
- 6. NinianSmart: Religious Experience of Mankind, Scribc, 1984
- 7. NinianSmart: The religious experience, Prentice Hall, 1996
- 8. T.M.P. Mahadevan: Outlines of Hinduism, Chetana Limited, 1961
- K. SatchidanandaMurty: The realm of between: lectures on the philosophy of religion: Indian Institute of Advanced Study, 1973
- 10. R. Swinburne: The Existence of God, Oxford University Press, 2nd Edition, Oxford, 2004.
- 11. Paul Raddin: Primitive Religion Its nature and Origin: Omega Publication, N.Delhi. 2006.
- 12. Masih. Y. Introduction to Religious Philosophy: Motilal Banarsidass. Delhi. 1995
- 13. Tiwari, Kedar Nath. Comperative Religion. Motilal Banarsidass. Delhi. 1992.

#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/V/CC/07- V SEMESTER

#### Paper - VII SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

To acquaint student with important concepts, perspectives and issues concerning social and political life.

# UNIT I: INTRODUCTION

- a) Nature and Scope
- b) Sociology and Social Philosophy
- c) Political Science and Political Philosophy
- d) Social Contract Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau

# UNIT II: SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS

- a) Marriage
- b) Family
- c) Property
- d) Education and Religion

# UNIT III: MAJOR CONCEPTS

- a) Individual and Society
- b) State
- c) Nation
- d) Power and Authority

# UNIT IV: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL IDEALS

- a) Justice
- b) Equality
- c) Liberty
- d) Rights, Duties and Accountability

# UNIT V: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTIONS

- a) Reform
- b) Rebellion
- c) Revolution
- d) Satyagraha

- 1. O.P. Gauba : Social and Political Philosophy, Mayur Paperbacks, Noida. 2006
- D.D. Rapheal : Problem of Political Philosophy, (Second Ed) Palgrave, Macmillan, 1990
- 3. A.K. Sinha: Outlines of Social Philosophy, Sinha Pub. House, 1965
- 4. N. V. Joshi :Social and Political Philosophy, Current Book House, 1964
- 5. M. K. Gandhi: Hind Swaraj or Indian Home Rule, LULU PR, 2008
- V. Geetha/ <u>VaKītā</u>: Gender, Stree, 2002
- 7. T. S. Devadoss: Sarvodaya and the problem of Political Sovereignty, University of Madras, 1974
- 8. W.E. Moore: Social change, Prentice Hall, 1963
- 9. K.G. Mashruwalla: Gandhi and Marx, JivanjiDahyabhai Desai Navajivan Press.1951
- 10. S.I. Benn and R. S. Peters: Social Principles and Democratic State, Allen and Unwin, London. 1959
- 11. Leo Strauss: What is Political philosophy, The Free Press, 1959.
- 12. J.C.Johari, Political theory and Socio-Political Philosophy; sterling Publishers Private Limited.

#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/V/CC/08- V SEMESTER

#### Paper - VIII (A)

#### PHENOMENOLOGY AND EXISTENTIALISM

Credit = 6

Objectives -

To help the student explore the development of contemporary continental philosophy through the major concepts of phenomenology and existentialism.

#### UNIT I - PHENOMENOLOGY: INTRODUCTION

- a) What is Phenomenology
- b) Psychologism
- c) A Pre-Suppositionless philosophy
- d) Life-World

## UNIT II - PHENOMENOLOGICAL CONCEPTS AND METHOD

- a) Phenomenological reduction
- b) Noesis, Noema correlation
- c) Consciousness and Intentionality
- d) Time consciousness

## UNIT III - TYPES OF PHENOMENOLOGY

- a) Transcendental Phenomenology
- b) Hermeneutics phenomenology
- c) Existential phenomenology
- d) Naturalistic phenomenology

#### UNIT IV - EXISTENTIALISM: INTRODUCTION

- a) What is existentialism?
- b) Existentialism as movement
- c) Existentialism and individual freedom
- d) Theistic vs atheistic existentialism

# UNIT V - EXISTENTIALISM: CONCEPTS AND METHODS

- a) Existence precedes essence
- b) Angst, Anxiety, Moods, Alienation, Absurdity
- c) Will to Power Nietzsche
- d) Existentialism vs Authenticity

- Blackham, H. J. (1967). Six Existentialist Thinkers. Routledge and Kogan Paul..
- 2. Moran, D. (2000). Introduction to Phenomenolgy. Routledge.
- 3. Singh, M. (2009). Phenomenology and Existentialism. New Delhi: Adhyayan Publishers and Distributors.
- Sinha, D. (2013). Phenomenology and Existentialism. Papyrus.
- Sokolowski, R. (2000). Introduction to Phenomenlogy. Cambridge University Press.
- 6. Warnock, M. (1970). Existentialism. Oxford University Press.
- 7. Kauffman, W. (1975). Existentialism: From Dostoevsky to Sartre. Plume Press
- 8. Bhadra, Mrinal Kranti. (2004) A Critical Survey of Phenomenology and Existentialism

#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/V/CC/08 (B)- VSEMESTER Paper VIII (B) PHILOSOPHY OF LAW

Credit = 6

Objectives -

To acquaint the student with important concepts, perspectives and issues concerning philosophy of

#### UNIT I: Traditional Natural Law Theory

- a) Law for the Common Good
- b) Legal Positivism
- c) Law as command
- d) Law as the Union of Primary and Secondary Rules
- e) The obligation to obey the law

#### UNIT II: Constitutional Law

- a) A brief introduction to the Indian Constitution and its History
- b) The 'Basic Structure' doctrine
- c) Rights: The Hohfeldian Framework; Positive and Negative Rights
- d) Fundamental Rights

#### UNIT III: Criminal Law

- a) Theories of Punishment
- b) The Death Penalty
- c) Criminal Responsibility
- d) Justifications and Excuses

#### UNIT IV: Contract Law

- a) The obligation to fulfill a contract
- b) Contracts and Promises
- c) Blackmail
- d) Tort Law: Causation in the Law

#### **UNIT V: Perennial topics**

- a) Legal and moral obligation
- b) Responsibility

c) Privacy d) Tort Law, Causation in the Law Adjudication and hege Reason

#### Suggested Readings:

1. Feinberg, J., Coleman, J., and Kutz, C. (2013) Philosophy of Law, 9th ed. USA: Pearson.

2. Marmor, A. (2014) Philosophy of Law, Princeton University Press, Princeton.

3. Martin P. Golding and William a. Edmundson (ed.) (2004) The Blackwell guide to the Philosophy of Law and Legal Theory, London: Blackwell.

#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/VI/CC/09- VI SEMESTER Paper - IX PHILOSOPHICAL ANALYSIS

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

- To enable the student to apply analysis as a method in dealing with problems of philosophy.
- Compare and contrast conflicting ways of analysis.

#### UNIT I: MEANING AND DEFINITION

- a) Word meaning
- b) Definition
- c) Sentence meaning
- d) Hermeneutics

#### UNIT II: KNOWLEDGE

- a) What is knowledge
- b) Knowledge and Concepts
- c) Knowledge and Certainty
- d) Knowledge and Belief

## UNIT III: NECESSARY TRUTH

- a) Analytic truth and The a priori
- b) Logical possibilities
- c) The principles of dialectics
- d) Foundationalism and anti-foundationalism

# UNIT IV: PROBLEMS IN SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE

- a) Laws of nature
- b) A theory in Physics
- c) Scientific explanation
- d) The problem of induction

# UNIT V: SOME METAPHYSICAL PROBLEMS

- a) Substance
- b) Universals
- c) Phenomenalism
- d) Mind and body

- D.W. Hamlyn, The Theory of Knowledge (London: Mac Millan, 1971)
- 2. John Hospers, An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis (London: Routledge, 1997)
- 3. A.J. Ayer, Problems of Knowledge (Hormondsworth: Penguin, 1977)
- 4. Roderick M. Chisholm, Theory of Knowledge (New Delhi: Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd, 1977)
- 5. Keith Lehrer, Knowledge (Oxford: Claredon Press, 1978)
- 6. Duncan Prichard, What is this thing called knowledge? (London & New York Routledge, 2006)
- 7. Thomas Kuhn, The Structure of Scientific Revolution, (Chicago: Chicago University Press, Special Ed., 2012)
- 8. J.O Urmson, Philosophical Analysis: Its development between the Two World Wars, Oxford University Press, 1956

# PHILOSOPHY PHIL/VI/CC/10- VI SEMESTER Paper - X

## PHILOSOPHY OF MIND - I

Credit = 6

Objectives -

- To enable student to distinguish between scientific study of mind as in psychology from its conceptual study as in philosophy.
- Critique problems like personal identity, knowledge of other minds.

## UNIT I: INTRODUCTION

- a) Conceptual and empirical enquiry
- b) Philosophical concepts: -
  - (i) A priori, (ii) A posteriori, (iii) Form, (iv) Matter, (v) Substance, (vi) Attribute

# UNIT II: PROBLEM OF MIND

- a) Philosophy and Psychology of mind
- b) Mind in empirical psychology
- c) Mind in a priori philosophy
- d) Conscious and unconscious.

## UNIT III: THEORIES OF MIND

#### Cartesian Dualism

- (i) Mind and Body relation, (ii) Problem of Causal interactionism, (iii) Mind and Science Functionalism
- (i) Mind as a functional system, (ii) Artificial Intelligence, (iii) Brain in a Vat theory.

# UNIT IV: THEORIES OF MIND

#### Behaviourism: -

- Methodological and philosophical behaviourism
- b) Explanatory inadequacy
- c) Cognitivism in Psychology

# UNIT V: THEORIES OF MIND

#### Materialism: -

- a) Mind- brain identity theory
- b) Problems of Materialism
- c) The problem of phenomenal consciousness

- Jerome Shaffer: Philosophy of Mind, Pearson prentice Hall of Pvt. N. Delhi. 1982
- Gilbert Ryle: The Concept of Mind, Routledge, 2009
- 3) S. Radhakrishnan: Indian Philosophy: (relevant volume) George Allen and Unwin Ltd. 1956
- 4) E. J. Lowe: Locke (An Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind), Routledge, 2005
- 5) Sidney Hook (ed): Dimension of Mind- a symposium: Tudor Publishing Co. 1960
- J. R Searle: Mind: Cambridge MIT Press 1992.
- 7) D. Braddon Mitchel and F. Jackson: The Philosophy of Mind and Cognition: Blackwell Publishing 1996, 2007
- 8) John Heil: Philosophy of Mind: A Guide and Anthology: Routledge, 2003.
- 9) R.N. Pani: Integral education: Thought & Practical: APH Publishing. 2007
- 10) Juan Mascaró: The Upanishads: Penguin, 1965

#### PHILOSOPHY PHIL/VI/CC/11- VI SEMESTER

#### Paper - XI GREEK AND MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

To acquaint the student with the fundamental concepts and ideas in Western Philosophy with special reference to Greek and Medieval philosophers.

# UNIT I: EARLY GREEK PHILOSOPHY

- a) Thales and Pythagoras
- b) Democritus and Anaximander
- c) Parmenides, Heraclitus and Zeno
- d) Protagoras and Socrates

#### UNIT II: PLATO

- a) Theory of Knowledge
- b) Theory of Form
- c) Theory of Soul
- d) Idea of the Good

# UNIT III: ARISTOTLE

- a) Refutation of Plato's theory of Ideas
- b) Categories
- c) Causation
- d) Theory of the Soul

# UNIT IV: ST. AUGUSTINE

- a) Theory of Knowledge
- b) The Problem of Evil
- c) Freedom of the Will
- d) Beatitudes

# UNIT V: ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

- a) Theory of Knowledge
- b) Essence and Existence
- c) Philosophy and Theology
- d) Creation and Causation

- F. Copleston, History of Philosophy, Vol. II & IV, Burns and Oates Ltd., London, 1993, Edn. 2. Burnet, J., Greek Philosophy from Thales to Plato, London and New York: Macmillan, 1960.
- 3. Stace, W.T., A Critical history of Greek Philosophy, London, 1970 Edn. Russel, B., History of Western Philosophy, London: George Allen & Unqin Ltd., 1958.
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- 6. Frank Thilly, A History of Philosophy, Central Publishing House, Allahabad, 1985.
- Gottlieb, Anthony. The Dream of Reason. London: Penguin, 2016.

# PHILOSOPHY PHIL/VI/CC/12 (A)— VI SEMESTER Paper – XII (A) FEMINIST PHILOSOPHY

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

To enable the student to understand and recognize gender bias in mundane, everyday interactions
and social institutions that are usually taken for granted as natural and inevitable.

#### UNIT I: INTRODUCTION

- a) Sex, Gender and Sexuality
- b) Various Feminist view on Patriarchy
- c) Types of feminism and their rational for gender equality

d) Feminist thought

#### UNIT II: FEMINISTS EPISTEMOLOGY AND METAPHYSICS

- a) Reason emotion binary, fact value binary, feminists' critique of value free science
- b) Situated knowledge; idea of situated knower
- c) Perspective on feminist's epistemology
- d) Feminists interpretation of objectivity, embodied self feminists' rational conception of self

#### UNIT III: FEMINISTS ETHICS

- a) Feminists critique of traditional concept of moral agency and development
- b) Feminists concept of moral agency, autonomy and impartiality
- c) Care ethics
- d) Critique of care ethics

#### UNIT IV: ECO-FEMINISM - VARIOUS THEORIES

- a) Eco-feminism
- b) Distinctiveness of deep ecology
- c) Social ecology
- d) Ecofeminism Indian version

#### UNIT V: NEW TRENDS

- a) Gender Egalitarianism
- b) Gender Politics
- c) Intersectional feminism
- d) Empowerment of Women

- Elizabeth Groz: Philosophy in SnejaGunew (ed); Feminist Knowledge Critique and Construction, London: Routledge 1990.
- Simon de Beauvoir: The Second Sex, Trans. Aud Ed. H.M. Parshley, New York: Vintage Books, 1974.
- Sukumari Bhattacharya: Woman and Society in Ancient India, Basumati Corporation Limited, Calcutta 1994.
- KamlaBhasin: Understanding Gender; New Delhi: Women Unlimited, 2001.
- 5. KamlaBhasin: What is Patriarchy? Kali for Women, Kolkata 2004.
- 6. Judith Butler: gender Trouble, Routledge, New York and London 1990.
- 7. Val Plumwood: Feminism and the Mastery of Nature, London: Routledge 1993.
- Sara Heinamaa: "Women-Nature, Product, Style? Rethinking the Foundations of Feminist Philosophy of Science" in Lynn Hankinson Nelson and Jack Nelson (eds.), Feminism, Science and the Philosophy of Science, Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publishers 1996.
- 9. Carol Gilligan, Cambridge: In a different voice, Harvard University Press 1994.
- 10. Dary Cohen, Rethinking Feminist Ethics, Introduction and Ch. 1, Routledge London 1998.
- 11. Vandana Shiva (1993): "Ecofeminism" in Zen books.
- 12. Linda Martin Alcelf and Eva Feder Kittay, Oxford: Blackwell Publishing 2006

# PHILOSOPHY PHIL/VI/CC/12(B) – VI SEMESTER Paper – XII (B) PHILOSOPHY OF MIND – II

Credit = 6

#### Objectives -

- To enable student to understand the relation between mind and knowledge, knowledge of self and others, some theories of actions and theories of consciousness (Indian and Western).
- Critique problems like personal identity, knowledge of other minds.

#### UNIT I: MIND AND KNOWLEDGE

- a) Feelings and Sensations
- b) Emotions, Volitions and Will
- c) Personal Identity and Problems of Identity
- d) Self knowledge and knowledge of others

# UNIT II: SOME THEORIES OF ACTIONS

- a) Mental events as the cause of action
- b) The theory of agency
- c) A performative theory
- d) Goals as the explanation of actions

# UNIT III: THEORIES OF CONSCIOUSNESS (INDIAN)

- a) Carvaka
- b) Buddhism
- c) Jainism
- d) Vedanta

# UNIT IV: STATES OF CONSCIOUSNESS (INDIAN)

#### **Mandukya**Upanisad

- a) Swapna
- b) Jagrata
- c) Susupti
- d) Turiya

#### UNIT V: CONSCIOUSNESS

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