M.A. Examination,2023

Semester – IV

Comparative Religion

Course: MACOMPROP402

Modern Religious Movements in India - II

Time: 3 Hours **Marks: 60**

Answer **any four** questions

Each question is of value as indicated in the margin

1. Critically evaluate Swami Dayananda Saraswati's measures to reform Hinduism. 15
2. What are the *'Pañcha Yajñas'* to be performed by every Arya Samaj member? In this connection, elucidate Swami Dayananda's idea of *'Yajña'* (ritual sacrifice). 12+3=15
3. Describe the educational reforms taken up by Arya Samaj. How relevant were these reforms for the society? Give your views. 12+3=15
4. Explain the famine relief and orphanage building activities of the Arya Samaj. 15
5. Discuss the programmes taken up by Arya Samaj to elevate the conditions of women and the 'depressed' classes. 15
6. Write a short note on the *Suddhi* movement programme of the Arya Samaj.

   Or,

   Write a short note on the ten principles of the Arya Samaj. 15

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Women and Religion-II

Time:3 Hours **Full Marks-60**

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Answer any four questions

1.Consider critically the status of Women during Rigvedic period. 15

2. Briefly examine the important factors responsible for gender shaping practices relating to gender among the early Buddhist communities. 15

3. Do you think thatSikhism is an egalitarian religion which is more supportive of women than other religions? Justify your answer 15

4. Write a brief note on the evolution of mother worshipin India. 15

5. Describe and analyze the idea of GoddessSaraswati. 15

6. State and analyze the important aspects of the idea of Goddess Durga. 15