B.A (Hons) Examination, 2024

Semester – IV

Comparative Religion

Course: CC-8

Hinduism – Textual Study

For Regular, Back and Repeat candidates

Time: 3 hours **Full Marks: 60**

Answer **any four** questions

Each question is of value as indicated in the margin

1. What are the qualities of a *guru* and a *student* of *Brahmavidya*? Answer with reference to the Kathopaniṣad. 15
2. Describe the first, second and third boons asked for by Nachiketa. 5+5+5 = 15
3. Describe the chariot-charioteer metaphor presented in the Kathopaniṣad and state the relationship among the body, Self and *Puruṣa*. 15
4. Explain the concepts of *shreya-preya* and *vidya-avidya* from the Kathopaniṣad . 15
5. What is *Nachiketa agni* (fire)? What is the function of this fire according to the Kathopaniṣad? 5+10=15
6. How did Nachiketa reach the door of *Yama* (the god of death)? Describe the story. 15

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(Islam-Textual Study)

Time- Three Hours **Full Marks-60**

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer *any four* questions from the following.

1. Give an account of the early life of Prophet Hadrat Muhammad. 15

2. What changes have been made by the Prophet Hadrat Muhammad in the then Arabian society? Discuss. 15

3. What is Hadith? What does Hadith say about good treatment towards the parents and orphans? Discuss by mentioning two Hadith. 3+12=15

4. Write the text, meaning and interpretations of Surah *al Fatiah(1:1-7)*. 15

5. Interpret the Quranic *Surah al Hashr's* 22-24 ayats (59:22-24) with the original texts and meanings. 15

6. Discuss fully the Verse al-*Ikhlas* (112:1-4) with suitable commentaries and teachings. 15

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Significant Religious Themes-II

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Time: 3 hours **Full Marks: 60**

Answer any four questions

Each question is of value as indicated in the margin

1.Discuss the concept of world and its relationship with God in the monotheistic religions. 15

2. Is there a connection between magic and religion? Discuss with reference to religions of the tribal societies. 15

3. What do you understand by the term 'incarnation'? Compare the Hindu and Christian concepts of incarnation. 15

4. Write a note on the intermediary figures between man and God in Judaism and Islam. 15

5. Describe the nature of creation and destruction of the world from any one polytheistic religion. 15

6. Discuss any two anthropological theories on the origin of Religion. 15