B.A. Examination 2023

Philosophy

Semester – IV

Paper-CC-08

Western Ethics [Part-II]

Time: 3 hours | Full Marks: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.
Answer **any four** questions from the following

1. State the main principle of Egoism and examine the Motivation argument for Egoism. 15

2. Critically discuss the Closet Utilitarian Argument against Egoism. 15

3. Was Mill successful in establishing the conclusion that general happiness is the sole criterion of morality? Discuss. 15

4. How is suicide deemed immoral as per Kant's second formulation of the Categorical Imperative? Examine the defects of this formulation, if any. 5+10

5. What is maxim? State the differences between Kant's first formulation of the Categorical Imperative and the Golden Rule of Morality. 8+7

6. How does Moore argue against naturalism in ethics? Discuss. 3+12

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Semester-IV (CBCS)

Philosophy

Course: CC-09 (Textual Study: Indian Epistemology)

Time: 3 hours Full Marks: 60

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer **any four** questions from the following.

1. Explain the *lakṣaṇa* of *buddhi* following Annaṁbhaṭṭa. What are the different kinds of *buddhi* admitted by the Naiyayikas? Can *smṛti* be regarded as *pramā*? Discuss following Annaṁbhaṭṭa. 10+2+3=15
2. Explain the *lakṣaṇa*-s of *yathārtha anubhava* and a*yathārtha anubhava* following Tarkasaṁgraha. 15
3. Explain the definition of *liṇgaparāmarśa* as stated in Tarkasaṁgraha. Is *liṇgaparāmarśa* a necessary condition for *anumiti*? Explain after Annaṁbhaṭṭa. 8+7=15
4. *"liṇgamtṛvidham, anvayavyatireki-kevalānvayi-kevalavyatireki ca iti"* (TS). Explain with suitable examples. 15
5. Discuss different kinds of *asiddha hetvābhāsa* with suitable examples. 15
6. Define and classify *vṛtti* after Tarkasaṁgraha. Explain different kinds of *lakṣanā* with suitable examples. 15

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Semester - IV

Philosophy

Paper – CC-10

Textual Study (Western) (Part-II)

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

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.
Answer **any four** questions from the following.

1. Outline Russell's fundamental distinction between knowledge by acquaintance and knowledge by description. How does Russell explain that knowledge by description is dependent on knowledge by acquaintance? 8+7=15

2. How does the knowledge of things differ from the knowledge of truths? Which one is subject to verification and error? Discuss after Russell. 10+5=15

3. What is sense-datum and how do we come by it? How does Russell distinguish appearance from reality? Explain. 5+10=15

4. What is idealism and how does Russell respond to its epistemic implications? 5+10=15

5. Discuss Russell's view on the principle of induction. Explain why Russell thinks that the inductive principle is incapable of being proved by experience. 9+6=15

6. What is the nature of matter, according to Russell? Why does Russell think that we should believe in public-neutral objects? Discuss. 9+6=15

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Semester–IV (CBCS)

Skill Enhancing Compulsory Course- (SECC-2)- Indian Ethics

Philosophy

(Indian Ethics)

Time: 2 Hours Full Marks: 25

Questions are of equal value.

Answer any four questions

1. Discuss briefly the Gītā's conception of *Niṣkāmakarma*. **6.25**

2. Briefly analyse the Indian concept of *Puruṣārtha*. **6.25**

3. Bring out the importance of *law of Karma* in Indian Ethics. **6.25**

4. Briefly explain the Jaina notion of *pañcamahāvrata* (five vows). **6.25**

5. State briefly the importance of four noble truths in Buddhism. **6.25**

6. Discuss briefly the Bauddha notion of Brahmavihāras. **6.25**