B.A. (Hons.) Sem-VI Examination (CBCS), 2022
Subject: Philosophy
Paper/Course: CC-14 (Western Metaphysics)

Time: 3 Hours | Full Marks: 60

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

1. Explain how the idea of non-material soul/self/mind developed in metaphysics. 15

2. Present any two arguments in favour of the substratum theory of concrete particulars and the corresponding counter arguments advanced by the bundle theorist. 8+7=15

3 Discuss the problems associated with the realist theory of universals. 15

4 State the arguments in favour of the entailment theory of causation. How do the opponents challenge this theory? Discuss. 9+6=15

5 Give some examples of mental event and physical event. Discuss different attempts to distinguish between mental events and physical events. 4+11=15

6 What is epiphenomenalism? How does this theory explain voluntary human action? Is it possible to accommodate the idea of free will within the framework of epiphenomenalism? Discuss. 5+5+5=15

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2022
Semester-VI
Philosophy
DSE-4 [Special Text (Indian)]

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

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Answer any **four** questions

1. Give an account of Tagore's views reflected in his essay *Nari* ('Woman'). 15

2. Briefly explain the ideas contained in Tagore's article *Dwitiya janma* ('The Second Birth'). 15

3. What is art? Discuss, after Rabindranath, how art is related to personality. 6+9=15

4. What is Tagore's view on education? Discuss. 15

5. What is *dhyana* ('Meditation')? How can *dhyana* affect a man's personality? Discuss following Rabindranath. 5 + 10=15

6. Write short notes on **any two** of the following: 7.5+7.5=15
   a. *Kalakaibalyavada*
   b. Beauty
   c. Concept of world
   d. *Santiniketan Ashram*

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Semester VI

Comparative Religion

DSE-04 – Critique of Religion – II

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

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer any FOUR questions

1. How does Kalluka Bhatt define the origin of Vedas as *Sanatan*? What does Ambedkar say about it? Explain. 5+10
2. How does Ambedkar explain the meaning of the word 'Upanishad'? What does Mundaka Upanishad say about inferior and superior knowledge? Elaborate. 10+5
3. How does Brahaspati, according to *Sarva Darshan Sangraha*, contest the authority of the Vedas? Outline. 15
4. Is there unanimity among the Vedas on the origin of varnas? Briefly illustrate following *Riddles in Hinduism*. 15
5. What is *Sankara* caste? State at least six issues that Ambedkar identifies in Manu's explication of mixed castes. 3+12
6. How does Manu change the law of paternity to maternity in case of consanguinity and rights of inheritance for the sons born of parents of different varnas? What was the practice earlier? Explain it after Ambedkar. 10+5

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Semester VI

Philosophy

DSE-03 – Political Philosophy (The Subaltern Perspective)

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

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer any FOUR questions

1. How the problem of surplus men and surplus women within caste endogamous society is disposed of by uxorial customs in Hindu society? Explain it after Ambedkar. 15

2. How does Sundar Sarukkai explain the practice of untouchability using Derrida's notion of supplement? Elucidate. 15

3. How was the *Kajli* song form used for the stereotypical representation of Muslims in 19th Century Hindi literatures? How do Premghan's views on *Kajli* differ from it? Explain. 10+5

4. How does Du Bois describe the alienated social existence of the Black Americans in America through his notion of 'double consciousness'? Discuss. 15

5. How does the division of labour in the household accentuate the predominance of men's interests? Discuss it after Michèle Barrett and Mary McIntosh. 15

6. "Caring, sharing and loving would be more wide-spread if the family did not claim them for its own" – Annotate. 15