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M. A. (1st Year) 2nd Semester Examination, 2019

Subject : Philosophy

Paper : Phil/Th/2S/201

Indian Logic

Time : 2 Hours

Full Marks : 40

A. Answer any two questions :

2 × 10 = 20

1. How many types of liṅga are there? Describe in this connection the nature of anupalabdhi liṅga following Nyāyavindu. 2+8=10
2. What is asapakṣa? How many types of asapakṣa are there? Discuss. 2+8=10
3. According to Gotama what is anumāna? How many anumānas are there? Discuss each and every anumāna following Bhāṣyakāra. 1+1+8=10
4. What is daśāvayava nyāya? Why Nyāya system does not accept daśāvayavavāda? 6+4=10

B. Answer any four questions :

4 × 5 = 20

5. What is anumāna according to Dharmakīrti? 5
6. Describe the common characteristics of liṅga? 5
7. 'sapakṣe eva satyam cintam' - describe the significance of the term 'eva' in this line. 5
8. What is sapakṣa? Explain with an example. 5
9. What is the definition of hetu according to Nyāyasūtrakāra? Regarding this explain the svarūpa of sādharma hetu following Bhāṣyakāra of Nyāyasūtra. 1+4
10. According to Gotama what is tarka? Discuss shortly. 5
11. Write a short note on karāṇa of an anumiti following Prācīna and Navyanyāya. 5
12. What is the way of vyāpti niścaya? Answer following Nyāya system. 5

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Western Ethics

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A. Answer any two questions : 2 × 10 = 20

1. "The difference between the traditional interest theories and my view is like the difference between describing a desert and irrigating it" – Is Charles Leslie Stevenson successful in irrigating the desert of moral language? Analyse. 10
2. How does George Edward Moore apply his two-pronged ploy of 'naturalistic fallacy' and the 'open question argument' to lay bare the weakness of the naturalistic definition of the moral 'good'? 10
3. What is the fundamental difference between Mill's utilitarianism and Bentham's utilitarianism? How does Mill justify his position? Discuss in this connection his concept of internal sanction. 2+5+3=10
4. What is Land ethics? How does Aldo Leopold extend the concepts of 'land' and 'Community' in elaborating his land ethics? 2+8=10

B. Answer any four questions : 4 × 5 = 20

5. Give an outline of the moral realism - moral antirealism debate. 5
6. What is the key idea of subjective naturalism? What challenges does this view have to face? 2+3=5
7. What objections are raised against G.E. Moore's metaethical theory of intuitionism? 5
8. Explain briefly what does Immanuel Kant mean by saying that 'Good will is the only thing which is good-in-itself'? 5
9. What does Jeremy Bentham mean by external sanction? 5
10. What according to Aristotle is the means to determine the nature of virtue? Explain briefly. 5
11. Do you think that in the slippery slope of euthanasia comes genocide? 5
12. Briefly discuss the liberal view about abortion. Do you support this view? Give reasons for your answer. 5

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Indian Ethics

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A. Answer any two questions :

2 × 10 = 20

1. Why should Arjuna fight against the *Kaurava*? Critically discuss following *Gītā*. 10
2. What is *niškāma karma*? Who is eligible to perform this karma? answer following *Gītā*. 5+5
3. Elaborate upon the *prajñā*, *sīla* and *samādhi* components of *aṣṭāṅgika mārga* that form the core of Buddhist ethics. 10
4. What are the different varieties of *arthavāda*? Answer after *Arthasaṅgraha*. 10

B. Answer any four questions :

4 × 5 = 20

5. Write a short note on *ātmasvurūpa* following *gīta*. 5
6. What is a moral dilemma? Why did Arjuna fall into moral dilemma? 1+4
7. Why does *Kṛṣṇa* advise to do *svadharmā*? Answer after *Gīta*. 5
8. "*karmānyevādhikāraṣṭe mā phaleṣu kadācana*" – Explain this statement. 5
9. Discuss the nature of *brahmavihāra*. 5
10. Distinguish between arthi *bhāvanā* and *śābdī bhāvanā*. 5
11. How is *dharma* defined and characterized in *Arthasaṅgraha*? 5
12. Define *vidhi* after *Laugāksī Bhāskara*. Discuss *utpattividhi* and *viniyogavidhi* in detail. 1+4

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Philosophy of Religion

Time : 2 Hours

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A. Answer any two questions from the following : **2 x 10=20**

1. How does Swami Vivekananda prove the possibility of a Universal Religion? 10
2. What are the different solutions to the logical problem of physical evil as proposed by the theists? What arguments are advanced by H.J. Mc Closkey to show the inadequacy of each of these solutions? 2+8=10
3. How does *Nāgārjuna* argue against the existence of god? 10
4. Discuss the types of religious experience following Richard Swinburne. Explain the Principle of Credulity formulated by Swinburne. Why does Michael Martin bring it under scrutiny? 3+5+2=10

B. Answer any four questions from the following : **4 x 5=20**

5. How does *Dharmakīrti* criticize the arguments of Uddyotakara regarding the existence of God?
6. Is the universal religion possible practically? 5
7. How does *Vādanta* Subhagupta argue for the non-existence of God? 5
8. "A good being always eliminates evil as far as it can"—How does Alvin Plantinga refute J.L. Mackie's allegations by arguing that the statement in question is not adopted as necessarily true by the theists? 5
9. State the notion of God on the *Nyāya* system. 5
10. What is meant by God being loving, personal and creator in the Judeo-Christian theological tradition? 5
11. What are the marks of a mystical state of consciousness according to William James? 5
12. Does *Śamkarite* Advaitism allow the possibility of religious pluralism? Discuss. 5

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Modern Indian Philosophy

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A. Answer any two questions :

2 x 10=20

1. Why did Mahatma Gandhi invent the method of Satyagraha? What according to him should be the characteristics of a satyagrahi? 2+8=10
2. What according to Sri Aurobindo are the significant features of the symbolic age? 10
3. How according to Rabindranath Tagore, an individual can become aware of the infinite aspect of his nature? 10
4. What is theoretic consciousness according to K.C. Bhattacharya? What are the different grades of theoretic consciousness? Discuss critically following K.C. Bhattacharya. 2+8=10

B. Answer any four questions :

4 x 5=20

5. Why did Gandhi consider non-violence as the only means to realize truth? 5
6. What did Gandhi mean by the positive aspects of non-violence? 5
7. What is the meaning of 'Swaraj' according to Gandhi? 5
8. What according to Sri Aurobindo are the characteristics of conventional age? 5
9. What according to Sri Aurobindo are the differences between individualistic and subjective age? Mention briefly. 5
10. What according to Rabindranath Tagore are the characteristics of the finite aspect of man? 5
11. What are the significant features of Tagore's humanism? 5
12. Discuss briefly Tagore's concept of religion. 5