

**DIAMOND HARBOUR WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY**

**P. G. II 3rd Semester Examination, 2019**

**Subject : Philosophy**

**Paper Code : Phil/Th/3S/301**

**Western and Indian Aesthetics**

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

**(use separate answer scripts for each group)**

**Group - I (Western Aesthetics)**

*Answer any one question :*

1. What is the nature of aesthetics? State the problems and challenges of aesthetics. Is it possible to tackle these problems? 2+6+2=10
2. Critically discuss the expression theory of art following Collingwood. 10

*Answer any two questions :*

5x2=10

3. What is the difference between fine art, commercial art and craft works? 5
4. What do you mean by mimesis theory of art by Plato?
5. Explain briefly Kant's concept of beauty as 'disinterested satisfaction'. 5
6. What does Clive Bell mean by 'art as significant form'? 5

**Group-II (Indian Aesthetics)**

*Answer any one questions :*

7. Explain following Bhattanāyaka the role of sādharanikarana in the creation of rasa. 10
8. What is the significance of the concept of 'dhvani' in Indian aesthetics? Explain following the view of Ānandavardhan. 10

*Answer any two questions :*

5x2=10

9. What is alaukika rasa according to Ābhinavagupta? 5
10. Explain briefly Tagore's concept of beauty in art and aesthetics. 5
11. What are the significant features of cormaraswamy's concept of aesthetics? Explain in brief. 5
12. How does rasa originate according to Bharat muni? 5

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M.A. (2nd) 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

Subject : Philosophy

Paper Code : Phil/Th/3S/302

Indian Philosophy of Language

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

A. Answer any two question :

10x2

1. According to Nyaya philosophy 'the intention (icchā) of god (īśvara) is called the power (śakti) of pada. Explain forms (ākāra) of intention of god. 10
2. According to Nyāya philosophy how can we acquire śābdavodha? 10
3. Did Bhartrhari accept any differentiation with respect to śabda Brahma? Discuss it. What is the way for removing those differences? 4+6=10
4. 'Time is an unique power of Brahma' explain it following Bhartrhari. 10

B. Answer any four questions :

5. Why is 'padajanya padārthasmarana' necessary as the Vyāpāra to śābdabodha? Answer following viśvanātha. 5
6. What is lakṣaṇa? What are viśvanātha's arguments to establish the lakṣaṇa? 1+4=5
7. Explain how śaktigraha is generated from the Vriḍdhavyavahāra. Answer after Viśvanātha. 5
8. How does Viśvanātha criticise jātiśaktivādins? 5
9. What is śabda Brahma according to Bhartrhari? 5
10. What is sphota? How many types of sphota are there? What is the relation between sphota and Brahma? 2+2+1=5
11. Why Veda is considered as the root of smritisāstra by Bhartrhari? 5
12. What is the relation between different types of Veda? 5

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**M.A. 2nd Year, 3rd Semester Examination, 2019**

**Subject : Philosophy**

**Paper Code : Phil/Th/3S/303**

**Western Philosophy of Language**

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

**(use separate answer scripts for each group)**

**Group - I**

**A. Answer any one question from the following :** 10x1=10

1. Give an account of referential theory of meaning. Is it acceptable as an ideal meaning theory? 4+6=10
2. "The morning star is the evening star" — What kind of statement is this? Explain the paradox of identity that is generated by this kind of statement? How does Frege solve the problem? 1+3+6=10

**B. Answer any two questions from the following :** 5x2=10

3. How does Russell use the 'law of excluded middle' to analyse the meaning of the phrase 'The Present King of France'? Discuss briefly.
4. How does Strawson Criticize Russell?
5. What are the criteria to make an act successful? Answer after J.L.Austin.
6. What is the cluster theory of meaning?

**Group - II**

**C. Answer any one questions from the following :** 10x1=10

7. What are the hallmarks of the Augustinian conception of language? Give an account of Ludwig Wittgenstein's project of transcending the primitive character of this conception of language. 2+8=10
8. Critically discuss whether world has been deemed coextensive with reality within the preview of Tractatus.

**D. Answer any one questions from the following :** 5x2=10

9. What are the distinguishing feature of an object? What are the differences between a state-of-affair and an object? 3+2=5
10. Analyze the significance of the statement : "My broom is in the corner" in light of the use theory of meaning.
11. What role is played by the concept of language-games in later Wittgensteinian philosophy of language?
12. Elucidate the tractarian statement : "Facts in logical space are the world".

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**M.A. 2nd Year, 3rd Semester Examination, 2019**

**Subject : Philosophy**

**Paper Code : Phil/Th/3S/304E**

**Biomedical Issues in Western Applied Ethics**

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

**A. Answer any two question from the following :**

10x2=20

1. How would you address the issues of biomedical ethics by appealing to high-level abstract ethical theories in conjunction with the mid-level principles? Answer in light of the three models of bioethics.
2. Critically discuss the criteria for determining the right candidate of scarce medical resources.
3. What purpose does a clinical trial serve? What is the primary objective of each phase of the clinical trial? Discuss the ethical issues arising out of clinical trials. 1+4+5=10
4. Does the survival lottery system provide morally tenable framework for obtaining organ donor? Weigh the arguments in favour of and against such system.

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

5x4=20

5. Discuss Mary Anne Warren's arguments in defense of abortion.
6. Write a short note on mid-level principles.
7. Discuss the merits and demerits of genetic enhancement.
8. State the Nuremberg Code and point out its limitations.
9. Discuss the negative outcome of genetic screening.
10. What are the conditions in which the patient consent is deemed doubtful? What are the exceptions to the principle of informed consent?
11. How does John Harris establish his claim that participating in clinical research is a moral obligation?
12. Compare the tenor of biomedical ethic embedded in the Hippocratic Oath with that found in the Caraka Samhitā.

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P. G. II 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

Subject : Philosophy

Paper Code : Phil/Th/3S/305-E-II

## Socio-Political Issues in Western Applied Ethics

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

(use separate answer scripts for each group)

### Group - I

**A. Answer any two question from the following :** 10x2=20

1. Can 'differences in intelligence between the different ethnic groups of human beings' be regarded as a ground for denying the moral principles that 'all humans are equal'? Answer following Peter Singer's concept of racial equality. 10
2. What do you understand by care-based ethics? Explain the significance and implications of care ethics as part of feminist ethics. 2+8=10
3. Explain and justify the principles of just war theory. 10
4. Is terrorism morally justified? give reasons in favour of your answer. 10

**B. Answer any four questions from the following :** 5x4=20

5. Explain briefly the significance of the principle that acts as the basis of equality according to Peter singer. 5
6. What is meant by affirmative action in relation to the principle of equality as put forward by Peter singer?
7. Explain briefly the meaning of maternal approaches to ethics. 5
8. State briefly Mary Wollstonecraft's view regarding the difference between women's and men's morality. 5
9. How do the moral thinkers define terrorism? 5
10. What do you understand by truth and objectivity in journalism? 5
11. What is the significance of the theory of community and care in journalism? 5
12. Explain briefly the significance of interpretation and activism in journalism ethics. 5

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M.A. (2nd Year) 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

Subject : Philosophy

Paper Code : Phil/Th/3S/305-N-I

Prāchīna Nyāya - I .....

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

(use separate answer scripts for each group)

A. Answer any two question from the following :

10x2=20

1. Can apavarga be attained immediately after tattvajñāna? - Discuss after Nyāyabhāṣya. 10
2. How many kinds of objects of knowledge (prameya) are accepted by Naiyāyikas and what are they? What are the determining marks of the first object of knowledge (prameya)? — Explain briefly. 2+8
3. In which sense defects (doṣa) are considered as the cause of volition (prabritti)? What are the several defects (doṣa)? 8+2
4. How does the author of Nyāyabhāṣya show that the body (saṁīra) of an organism is the locus of effort, sense organs and objects? 10

B. Answer any four questions from the following :

5x4=20

5. Why does Gautama mention ātmā as the first among the pramey-s? 5
6. What are the different purposes served by the Nyāya-Sūtra - 1/1/12? 5
7. What are the different material elements (bhūta-dravya-s) and what are their respective objects (artha-s). 5
8. 'buddhirupalabdhirjñānamityanrthāntaram' — in this definition circular? - Discuss 5
9. Why has mana been excluded from the list of the sense organs mentioned in Nyāya-Sūtra - 1/1/12. 5
10. Analyse the meaning of the Nyāya-Sūtra - 1/1/21. 5
11. How has vāda-kathā been differentiated from jalpa-kathā? 5
12. What is vākchala - answer the question with the help of a suitable example. 5

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M.A. (2nd Year) 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

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PRĀCĪNA NYĀYA - II

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 40

(use separate answer scripts for each group)

**A. Answer any two question from the following :**

1. "sandigdhasādhyavān pakṣa" - Can it be considered as a definition of pakṣa?  
Answer after Nyayakusumānjali. 10
2. Why does cārvāka deny the existence of God? Discuss briefly. 10
3. How does Mimāmsaka establish causality by using śaktivāda? 10
4. Why is śaktivāda not accepted by Nyāya system? Explain after Udayana. 10

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

5x4=20

5. Why can Brahma or prakṛti not be the cause of various effects? 5
6. Give an argument from the Nyāya point of view for accepting the statement 'Pratibandhaka samsargābhāva' is necessary for explaining the vigation of effect. 5
7. "Satām parimalapradbodhavaddhatsaba". How many hetvabhāsas are prevented by the insertion of this clause in mangalācaraṇa? Discuss any one of them. 5
8. In spite of having no doubt about the existence of God can we infer the existence of God? 5
9. How many hetvabhāsas are prevented by the clause 'satpakṣaprasara'? Write a short note about one of them. 5
10. 'Alukikasya paralokasadhanasysabhāvāt'-briefly explain this vipratipatti vākya. 5
11. Why does cārvāka deny the existence of adrṣta? Discuss briefly. 5
12. 'kārya sāpekṣa, kādācitkatvat, bijāmkuravat' - Explain this inference. How does Udayana prove causality by this inference? 1+4=5