B.A. 1st. YEAR PHILOSOPHY

Scheme of Examination

Two Papers	Min. Pass Marks 72	Max. marks 200
Paper 1	Duration: 3 hrs.	Max. marks 100
Paper 2	Duration: 3 hrs.	Max. marks 100

General instructions:

- 1. There will be two question papers: paper I and Paper II
- 2. Both the question papers will be in two parts: part I and Part II
- 3. Part I of the question paper will be of 40 marks in total. This part will consist of 12 compulsory short questions, with 04 marks each. Candidates are required to attempt any 10 questions. The word limit for these questions shall be 75 words. These questions will cover the entire units and there will be no unit-wise division of the questions asked in this part.
- 4. Part II of the question paper will be of 60 marks and students will be required to write detailed answers in the answer sheet only. If syllabus (course content) of a paper is divided into two units i.e. unit A and unit B, then in this part of question paper 06 questions will be asked in total: three questions from each unit. Candidates will be asked to attempt 03 questions in total and at least 01 question from each unit. Each question will be of 20 marks. If syllabus (course content) of a paper is divided into 03 units i.e. unit A, unit B and unit C, then in the part II of the question paper, which consists of essay type questions, 06 questions will be asked in total: 02 questions from each unit. Candidates will be required to attempt 03 questions in total selecting at least 01 question from each unit. The ideal word limit for these questions is 500-600 words.

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B.A. PART Ist PHILOSOPHY Paper 1: Indian Philosophy

UNIT A

- 1 Nature of Indian philosophy: plurality as well as common concerns.
- 2 Basic concept of the Vedic and the Upanishadic world views, Rta (the cosmic order): the divine and the human realms, the centrality of the institution of Yajna (sacrifice), Rna (duty / obligation)
- 3 Carvaka School: its Epistemology, Metaphysics and Ethics
- 4 Jainism: concepts of Sat, Dravya, Guna, Paryaya, Jiva, Ajiva, Anekantavada, Syadavada and Nayavada, Pramana, Ahimsa, Bondage and Liberation.
- 5 Buddhism: theory of Pramanas, theory of Dependent Origination, the Four Noble Truths, doctrine of Momentariness, theory of No Soul. The interpretation of these theories in schools of Buddhism: Vaibhashika, Sautrantika, Yogachara, Madhymika

UNIT B

- 1 Nyaya: theory of pramana, the individual self and liberation, the idea of God and proofs for the existence of God
- 2 Vaishishika: padartha: Dravya, guna, karma, samanya, vishesh, samvaya and abhava, causation: asatkaryavada, karana: samavayi, asamvayi and nimitta, pramanyavada, adrishta, nihsreyasa.
- 3 Samkhya: causation, Satkaryavada, Prakriti, its constituents, evolutes and arguments for its existence, purusa, arguments for its existence and plurality of purusa, relationship between prakriti and purusa, kevalya, atheism.
- 4 Yoga: Citta and Cittavritti, Eightfold path, God.

UNIT C

- 1 Purva Mimamsa: Pramaana mimamsa, self.
- 2 Advaita: Nirguna Brahamn, Adhyasa, rejection of difference, vivertavada, maya, three grades of Satta, Pramanas, Jiva, Jivan Mukti
- 3 Vishishtadvaita: Saguna Brahamn, refutation of Maya, Pramanyavada, Aprithaksiddhi, Jiva, Bhakti and Prapatti, Rejection of Jivan Mukti.

Suggested Readings:

M. Hiriyanna:

Outlines of Indian Philosophy (Hindi translation available)

C.D. Sharma: A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy (Hindi translation available)

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S.N. Dasgupta:

A History of Indian Philosophy, Vol. 1 (Hindi Translation

from Rajasthan Hindi Granth Akadami Jaipur)

S. Radhakrishnan:

Indian Philosophy, Vol. 1&2 (Hindi translation available,

Rajkamal, Delhi)

R.D. Ranade:

A Constructive Survey of Upanishadic Philosophy, (Hindi

translation available from Hindi Granth Akadami Jaipur)

Dutta and Chatterjee:

Introduction to Indian Philosophy, (Hindi translation

available)

R. puligandla:

Fundamentals of Indian Philosophy

Sangam Lal Pande:

Bhartiya Darshan ka Sarvekshan, Central Publishing House

Allahabad.

B.A. PART Ist PHILOSOPHY Paper 2: History of Western Philosophy

UNIT A

- 1 Introduction: Early Greek Philosophy: Sophists and Socrates
- 2 Plato: Theory of knowledge: knowledge (episteme) and Opinion (doxa), Theory of forms, Soul, Idea of the Good
- 3 Aristotle: Critique of Plato's theory of Forms, theory of Causation, Form and Matter, Potentiality and Actuality, Soul, God

UNIT B

- 1 St. Thomas Aquinas: faith and Reason, Essence and Existence, proof for the existence of God
- 2 Descartes: Method and the need of method in philosophy, Method of Doubt, Cogito Ergo Sum, types of Ideas, Mind and Matter, Mind-body Interactionism, God: nature and proofs for its existence
- 3 Spinoza: Substance, Attributes and Modes, The Concept of God or Nature, Pantheism, Mind-body problem
- 4 Leibnitz: Monadology, Doctrine of Pre-established harmony; Truths of Reason and truths of Fact, Innateness of all ideas, Principle of non-contradiction, Sufficient Reason and identity of the Indescernables, God: nature and proofs for its existence

UNIT C

- 1 Locke: Theory of knowledge-Ideas and their classification, Refutation of innate ideas, Knowledge and its grades, Substance, Qualities: primary and secondary
- 2 Berkeley: Rejection of Abstract Ideas, rejection of the distinction between Primary and Secondary qualities, immaterialism, ess est percipi: the problem of Solipsism
- 3 Hume: Theory of knowledge- Impressions and ideas; judgments concerning relation of ideas and judgment concerning matters of fact; Causality; External World, Self and Personal Identity; Rejection of Metaphysics; Skepticism
- 4 Kant: Conception of Critical Philosophy; classification of judgments: Analytic, Synthetic, Apriori, A posterior, possibility of Synthetic Apriori Judgments

Suggested Readings:

W. T. Stace: A Critical History of Greek Philosophy

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J.S. Srivastava 1 Greek Darshan Ka Vaijnanik Itihas, Kitab Mahal, Allahabad

2 Madhya Yugeen Darshan Ka Vaijnanik Itihas, Kitab Mahal,

Allahabad

3 Adahunika Darshan Ka Vaijnanik Itihas, Kitab Mahal, Allahabad

Yakub Masih: Pashchatya Darshan Ka Samikshatamak Adhyayan, Motilal

Banarasidas, Delhi (English translation available)

Frank Thilly: History of Western Philosophy

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