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PHILOSOPHY

OUTLINES OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY-I

CORE-1

Time Allotted: 2 Hours   Full Marks: 40

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

1.   Answer any *one* question from the following: 15×1 = 15
   (a) Explain and examine the Buddhists theory of *nairātmyavāda*.   15
   (b) 'Perception is the only valid source of Knowledge.' – Explain this view   15
      following Cārvākas.
   (c) What is *Vyāpti*? How can *Vyāpti* be ascertained? Discuss.   5+10

2.   Answer any *one* question from the following: 10×1 = 10
   (a) Explain the concept of *Puruṣārthas* in Indian Philosophy.   10
   (b) Discuss the Jaina concept of *Syādvāda*.   10

3.   Answer any *one* question from the following: 5×1 = 5
   (a) Write a short note on *Bhava-Cakra*.   5
   (b) Discuss briefly Nyāya concept of İndividual self.   5

4.   Answer any *ten* questions from the following: 1×10 = 10
   (a) What is called *Triratna*?
   (b) How many *pramaṇas* are accepted by the Nyāya?
   (c) What is *Nirvāṇa*?
   (d) Who are the *Tirthaṅkaras*?
   (e) How many *laukika sannikarṣas* are accepted by the Nyāya?
   (f) Why are Cārvākas known as egoistic hedonist?
   (g) What is *Sāmānyalakṣaṇa Pratyakṣa*?
   (h) Who is *āpta* according to the Nyāya?
   (i) What is *Pramā*?
   (j) What is *Pañcaśīla*?
   (k) Give the definition of *upamiti* according to the Nyāya.
   (l) Give an example of *viruddha hetvābhasa*.

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HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHTS-I

CORE-2

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 40

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1. Answer any *one* question from the following: 15×1 = 15
    (a) Discuss in detail, Aristotle's account of different kinds of cause with example.   15
    (b) How does Descartes arrive at his principle 'Cogito Ergo Sum'? Is it acceptable?   10+5
    (c) What does Spinoza mean by substance? How is substance related to attributes   5+10
        according to him? Discuss.

2. Answer any *one* question from the following: 10×1 = 10
    (a) 'Knowledge is not perception' –Who said this and why? Explain.   10
    (b) Explain Leibnitz's theory of Pre-established harmony.   10

3. Answer any *one* question from the following: 5×1 = 5
    (a) Briefly discuss Interactionism as a theory of mind-body problem.   5
    (b) Distinguish between actuality and potentiality after Aristotle.   5

4. Answer any *ten* questions from the following: 1×10 = 10
    (a) What is the 'highest good' according to Aristotle?
    (b) What are the two criteria of truth according to Descartes?
    (c) Is Plato's universal perceptible?
    (d) Who says –"All ideas are innate"?
    (e) Is Descartes a dualist?
    (f) What are monads?
    (g) Can Spinoza be called a pantheist?
    (h) What does Plato mean by world-soul?
    (i) What is 'Natura Naturans' according to Spinoza?
    (j) Who says, "Virtue is knowledge"?
    (k) What is Parallelism?
    (l) Who wrote the book *Republic*?

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