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(A)Questions should be based on any of the topics covered in the following 8 core papers from M.A. Semester I and Semester II Philosophy as follows: (Paper I)Metaphysics (Indian and Western) Unit I, Unit II, Unit III, Unit IV (Paper II)Epistemology (Indian and Western) P.S: ONLY 3 UNITS FOR EPISTEMOLOGY- Unit I, Unit II and Unit III

(Paper III)Contemporary Philosophy (Indian and Western) A **Unit I, Unit II, Unit III, Unit IV**

(Paper IV)Contemporary Philosophy (Indian and Western)B **Unit I, Unit II, Unit III, Unit IV**

(Paper V)Ethics (Indian and Western) **Unit I, Unit II, Unit II, Unit IV** (Paper VI)Philosophy of Consciousness (Indian and Western) **Unit I, Unit II, Unit IV**

(Paper VII)Contemporary Philosophy (Indian and Western) C **Unit I, Unit II, Unit IV**

(Paper VIII)Contemporary Philosophy (Indian and Western) D **Unit I, Unit II, Unit IV**

(The above mentioned **8** papers are highlighted in the enclosed copy of the MA syllabus)

(B)The question paper should include a few questions on "Research Methodology" based on the following components from **Paper I "Research Methodology"** for MPhil Semester I in Philosophy: **Unit I**

(A)Forms of Research: Report, Article, Assignment, Dissertation and Thesis (B)Data Collection: Qualitative and Quantitative Methods, Text as Data in Philosophy

Unit II

- (E)Philosophical Research and Scientific Research
- (F)Ethics of Research: Avoiding Plagiarism in Research

(This is highlighted in the enclosed copy of the MPhil syllabus for Research Methodology)

M.A. PART - I

SEMESTER - I

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CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN AND WESTERN) B

PAPER I (CORE) METAPHYSICS (INDIAN AND WESTERN)

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. To comprehend the fundamental ideas related to the core area of philosophy in relation to metaphysics.
- 2. To compare and contrast the undercurrents of Indian and Western theories of metaphysics with respect to soul, nature of world, causality, space and time.
- 3. To develop critical thinking, debate and discuss the nature of speculative metaphysics.

SECTION I: INDIAN METAPHYSICS

UNIT I

- A. Substance: Monism, Dualism and Pluralism (Vedānta, Sāmkhya and Nyāya-Jaina); Realism and Idealism (Sāmkhya-Nyāya-Jaina and Vedānta/ Idealist Buddhistschools)
- B. Theory of Causation: Satkāryavāda and Ārambhavāda/ Asatkāryavāda; Vivartavāda and Pratitya-samutpāda

UNIT II

- C. Theories of Soul: Soul as substance (Jainism, Nyāya Vedānta), Soul as Reality (Sāmkhya- Yoga); Anātamavāda (Buddhism) and Dehātmavāda (Cārvāka)
- D. Status of World: Vyāvahārika and Pāramārthika (Vedānta); Samvrtti and Pāramārthika (Buddhism)

SECTION II: WESTERN METAPHYSICS

UNIT III

- E. The Nature of Speculative Metaphysics: Being and Becoming; Existence and Essence; Universals and Particulars (Aristotle; Ockham)
- F. Reconstruction of Metaphysics: Critique of Speculative Metaphysics; Metaphysics as Ontology; Identity and Difference (Heidegger)

UNIT IV

- G. Realism and the problem of Causality, Space and Time: Humean, Kantian, Bergsonian interventions
- H. Varieties of Idealism: Subjective Idealism (Berkeley), Transcendental Idealism (Kant) and Objective Idealism (Hegel)

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PAPER II (CORE) **EPISTEMOLOGY (INDIAN AND WESTERN)**

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. To comprehend the fundamental ideas related to the core area of theory of knowledge.
- 2. To compare and contrast the undercurrents of Indian and Western theories of
- 3. To apply the epistemic doctrines to the other core and applied philosophical concepts.

SECTION I: INDIAN EPISTEMOLOGY

UNIT I

- A. Jñāna and Pramā: Definition and kinds of Pramāna, Prāmānyavāda
- B. Perception
- C. Khyātivāda

UNIT II:

- A. Inference: Definition, Classification and Components
- B. Vyāpti andFallacies
- C. Śabda: Meaning (Word and Sentence); Anvitābhidānavāda and Abhihitānvayavāda

SECTION II: WESTERN EPISTEMOLOGY

UNIT III:

- A. The problem of perceptionB. Memory: As a Source of Knowledge (Locke and Ayer); Types of Memory
- C. Knowledge and Belief: The tripartite account of knowledge as justified truebelief; Gettier's paradox

UNIT IV:

A. Nature and significance of Logic, Basic Concepts involved in logic: Terms, Proposition and Reasoning/Argument

B. Basic concepts involved in first order and second PLEASE OMIT UNIT IV EPISTEMOLOGY Constant, Propositional Variables and PropositionCUVES, Individual Variable and Predicate Variable, Proposition and Propositional function C. Basic Concepts involved in Set theory: Definition of Set, Null Set, Primitive symbols of set theory, Relations of Set

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- 5. 'Doctrines and Arguments in Indian Philosophy', NinianSmart.
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PAPER III (CORE) CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN AND WESTERN) A

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. To evaluate the role played by modern logical tools in approaching philosophical problems and critiquing the philosophical traditions of the past.
- 2. To analyse and explore the dialogue between empirical science and philosophy in the first half of the 20th century and the possible role of language, meaning and objectivity in philosophical discourse.
- 3. To develop critical thinking argumentative skills, learn to review original writings and analyse their implications.

SECTION I: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT I: RETHINKING TRADITION

- A. Swami Vivekanada: Universal Religion, Practical Vedānta and explanation of Māyā
- B. Sri Aurobindo: Ascent and descent of Reality, Seven Cords of reality, GnosticBeing

UNIT II: RECONSTRUCTING MYSTICISM

- A. R. D. Ranade: Mysticism as a Method, Pathway to God-realization, Advaita Vedānta Culmination of Spiritual Experience
- B. Rabindranath Tagore: Relation of the Individual to the Universe, Soul-consciousness, Problem of evil and Self, Realization of the Infinite through Love, Action and Beauty.

SECTION II: WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT III: IDEAL LANGUAGE, LOGICISM AND THE LINGUISTIC TURN

- A. Frege: Sense and Reference, Thought; Wittgenstein (Early): Logic and language; Picture theory of meaning.
- B. Russell's Ideal language philosophy: Analysis of facts, Theory of descriptions; Strawson: On Referring;

UNIT IV: LOGICAL EMPIRICISM AND THE METAPHYSICAL QUESTION

- A. Carnap: Unity of Science project, Primitive Protocol statements, Internal and External questions; Schlick: Meaning and Verification, Basic/ Observationstatements; Dummett: Justificatory Semantics.
- B. Pragmatism (Classical and Contemporary): Peirce, James, Dewey and Rorty

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PAPER IV (CORE) CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN AND WESTERN) B

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. To be acquainted with current trends, Indian ethos, tradition and its critique in Indian Philosophy
- 2. To comprehend global philosophical debates on 'experience', 'perception' and 'embodiment" by foregrounding influential thinkers in contemporary phenomenology
- 3. Develop critical thinking, argumentative skills and creativity to rigorously read philosophical texts and write papers.

SECTIONI: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT I: REPUDIATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF TRADITION

- A. MahatmaJyotibaPhule:CritiqueofTradition,PhilosophyofUniversalHumanism, Social Reforms
- B. Pandita Ramabai: Account of the High-caste Brahmin Woman, Social Reform from a Gender-perspective, the Issue of Conversion

UNIT II: REPUDIATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF TRADITION

- A. Gopal Ganesh Agarkar: Critique of Hinduism, Reformist Position as Expressed in Sudhāraka, Agnosticism
- B. Lokmanya Tilak: Gītārahasya as a Commentary on Bhagvadgītā, Analysis of Karmayoga, Ethics founded onMetaphysics

SECTION II: WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT III: PHENOMENOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY AND SCIENCE

- A. Brentano: Critique of Psychologism; Intentionality, Primary and SecondaryObjects
- B. Husserl: Rigorous science, Intentionality, Method (reduction),Life-world

UNIT IV: PHENOMENOLOGICAL ONTOLOGY AND EMBODIMENT

- A. Heidegger:Ontological difference between Beingandbeings, Significance of Dasein, Fundamental ontology of Dasein (inauthenticity and authenticity), Time
- B. Merleau-Ponty: Living Body, New Account of Perception, Art

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SEMESTER - II

PAPER V (CORE): ETHICS (INDIAN ANDWESTERN)

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PAPER V (CORE) ETHICS (INDIAN AND WESTERN)

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Develop critical thinking, argumentative skills and creativity to rigorously read philosophical texts and write papers.
- 2. Comprehend the role of reasoning in ethics and ethical dilemmas from metaethical and normative ethical perspectives.
- 3. Cultivate responsible citizenship through inclusiveness, tolerance, sensitivity to social vulnerability, as well as, intercultural and communicative competence via textual traditions.

SECTION I: INDIAN ETHICS

UNIT I

- A. Nature of Indian Ethics (Niti) Ethics and Metaphysics, Ethics and Mysticism, Truth as moral standard and Spiritualend.
- B. Concept of Dharma and various approaches to Dharma in Indian tradition, Mimamsa definition of Dharma in terms of Chodana and nature of Vidhivakya

UNIT II

- A. Theory of Karma and Problem of Freedom, Analysis of Karma, Akarma, Vikarma and NishkamaKarma
- B. The Concept of Purusharthas, Nature and Kinds of Purusharthas, Three approaches to Purusharthas- Materialistic, Intuitionistic and Metaphysical.

SECTION II: WESTERN ETHICS

UNIT III

- A. Cognitivism: Intuitionism (Moore) Neo-naturalism(Searle)
- B. Non-Cognitivism:Emotivism(Ayer/Stevenson);Prescriptivism(Hare)

UNIT IV

- A. ExistentialEthics:deBeauvoir/Sartre:Ethicsofsituation, freedomandambiguity
- B. Feminist Ethics: Ethics of care (Gilligan); Ethics of justice(Okin)

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PAPER VI (CORE) PHILOSOPHY OF CONSCIOUSNESS (INDIAN AND WESTERN)

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Study Upanishadic and Vedantic views of consciousness, psychological analysis of waking (Jagrita), dream (Swapna), deep sleep (Sushupti) and turiya states.
- 2. Critically evaluate the nuances of the various philosophical problems and debate that arise in the context of the problem of mind and consciousness in both Indian and Western traditions.
- 3. Situate the core conceptual notions of the mind, body, self, thought, language, reason among many others within the contemporary context as well as developments in the physical sciences, biology as well as the cognitive sciences.
- 4. To learn to evaluate and develop critical abilities for research in the discipline.

SECTION I: INDIAN PERSPECTIVE

- A. Upanishadic and Vedantic views of consciousness; Psychological analysis of waking, dream, deep sleep and turiyastates
- B. Sāmkhya-Yoga view: Purusa as drsta, citta, citta vritti, citta bhumi, nirvikalapaSamadhi
- C. Nyāya-Vaisesika: Status of Consciousness

UNIT II

- A. Jainism: Status of jiva andlesya
- B. Materialist (Carvaka) view of consciousness.
- C. Buddhist view of consciousness and the denial of Soul

SECTION II: WESTERN PERSPECTIVE

UNIT III

- A. The Problem of Consciousness: Aristotelian and the Cartesian paradigms; Spinozean interventions
- B. The Mind-Body problem and the linguistic solution: Ryle and Later-Wittgenstein

UNIT IV:

- A. The Mind-Body problem restated: The 'hard' problem of consciousness and the notion of an 'explanatory gap'; Theories of Consciousness: Identity theories (reductive and non- reductive), Eliminativism
- B. Computational model of mind, Artificial Intelligence and Functionalism, Naturalist and Transcendental theories of consciousness

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PAPER VII (CORE) CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN AND WESTERN) C

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Explore and evaluate the utility of the common sense approach in approaching philosophical problems, and critiquing philosophical traditions of the past.
- 2. Appreciate and analyze the various models developed by philosophers of language, logicians and linguists in order to understand communication, interpretation, translation and meaning in general.
- 3. Cultivate responsible citizenship, inclusiveness, sensitivity to otherness and social vulnerability, as well as, intercultural and communicative competence through the study and significance of fundamental notions like language and reason in human societythrough the study of contemporary philosophy.

SECTION I: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT I: GANDHIAN APPROACH

- A. Mahatma Gandhi (Spiritual Foundations of Politics): Reality with Multiple Aspects, Truth as God, Interdependence between multiple selves and other forms of life-Swaraj andAhimsa
- B. Mahatma Gandhi (Socio-Political Ideas): Foundations of Good Society- Trusteeship, Sarvodaya, Svadeshi, Means-ends relationship, Satyagraha, CommunalHarmony

UNIT II: CRITIQUES OF TRADITION

- A. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: Critique of Hinduism (Varna and Caste-system), Gandhi-Ambedkar debate about caste, critique of Early Buddhism, and Reconstruction ofBuddhism
- B. M. N. Roy: Relation to Marxism, Freedom, RadicalHumanism

SECTION II: WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT III: ORDINARY LANGUAGE PHILOSOPHY AND SPEECH ACT THEORY

- A. Ordinary Language Philosophy: Moore's defense of common sense and proof of the external world; Later-Wittgenstein on meaning and the notion of language games; Wittgenstein on certainty.
- B. Speech Act Theory: Austin's theory of speech acts, Grice's psychological theory of meaning, Searle's theory of indirect speechacts

UNIT IV: PROBLEMS OF MEANING AND TRUTH

- A. Quine: Naturalized epistemology, indeterminacy of translation, inscrutability of reference.
- B. Davidson: Truth and meaning, RadicalInterpretation

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PAPER VIII (CORE) CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY (INDIAN AND WESTERN) D

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Comprehend, debate and discuss on the synthesis and reconstruction of Contemporary Indian Philosophy.
- 2. Know global philosophy through the history of hermeneutics (as method, philosophy and critique) and discussions of key thinkers in contemporary hermeneutics.
- 3. Develop critical thinking, argumentative skills and creativity to rigorously read philosophical texts and write papers.

SECTION I: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT I: SYNTHESIS OF TRADITION

- A. Mohammad Iqbal: Reconstruction of Islamic Religious Thought, Self-World-God, Man and Superman
- B. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan: Idealist View of Life, Intellect and Intuition, Rebirth

UNIT II: RECONSTRUCTION OF TRADITION

- A. J. Krishnamurti: Conditioned Self, Freedom from the Known, Awareness
- B. K.C. Bhattacharya: Concept of Philosophy, Subject as Freedom, Concept of Value

SECTION II: WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT III: HERMENEUTICS AS METHOD AND PHILOSOPHY

- A. Methodological Hermeneutics: Schleiermacher (Authorial Intention), Dilthey (Historical Reconstruction).
- B. Critique of method (Gadamer): Understanding (Verstehen), Prejudice (Vorurteil) and Tradition; Fusion ofhorizons

UNIT IV: CRITICAL HERMENEUTICS AND BEYOND

- A. Critical Hermeneutics (Habermas): Distance in Interpretation and Understanding; Ideology Critique; Knowledge and HumanInterests
- B. Between Tradition and its Critique (Ricoeur): Mediation of Cultural Symbols; Conflict of Interpretations; Critical hermeneutics

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SYLLABI FOR M.PHIL DEGREE IN PHILOSOHY

The following four papers will be offered as course work in the M. Phil programme with 4 credits each for Paper I (Research Methodology) and paper III (Advance course in Philosophy titled 'Critiques in Philosophy') and three credits each for Paper II (Study of a Philosophical Text-I) and Paper IV (Study of a Philosophical Text-II) totaling 14 credits.

SEMESTER I

Paper I Research Methodology

Paper II: Study of One Philosophical Text (I) (75)

SEMESTER II

Paper III: Critiques in Philosophy

Paper IV: Study of One Philosophical Text (II) (75)



PAPER I RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

SEMESTER I

PAPER I

Research Methods & Techniques(3 Credits) (Three hours of teaching per week) plus Self-study component comprised of academic tasks assigned in class leading to internals evaluation for 1 credit: Total 4credits

PAPER II

Study of a Philosophical Text (I): Critical Study of an Indian /Western Text as decided every year by Faculty of the Department (2 Credits) (Two hours of teaching per week) plus Self- study component comprised of academic tasks assigned in class leading to internals evaluation for 1 credit: Total 3Credits

SEMESTER II

PAPER III

Critiques in Philosophy(3 Credits) (Three hours of teaching per week) plus Self-study component comprised of academic tasks assigned in class leading to internals evaluation for 1 credit: Total 4Credits

PAPER IV

Study of a Philosophical Text (II): Critical Study of an Indian /Western Text as decided every year by Faculty of the Department (2 Credits) (Two hours of teaching per week) plus Self-study component comprised of academic tasks assigned in class leading to internals evaluation for 1 credit: Total 3Credits

SEMESTER I: PAPER I

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND TECHNIQUES

UNIT I (25)

- A. Forms of Research: Report, Article, Assignment, Dissertation and Thesis;
- B. Data collection: Qualitative and Quantitative methods, Text as data inphilosophy
- C. ComputerApplications

UNIT II (25)

- D. Natural Science and Social ScienceResearch
- E. Philosophical Research and ScientificResearch
- F. Ethics of Research: Avoiding plagiarism inResearch
- G. Methods and Methodology

UNIT III (25)

H. Methods in Western Philosophy- Analytical, Phenomenological, Dialectical, Feminist

I. Methods in Indian Philosophy- Empiricist, Rationalist, Exegetical, Sceptical

There will be an external examination of the Research Methods and Techniques paper for 75 marks and 25 marks are for internal evaluation

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