

As Per NEP 2020

University of Mumbai



Syllabus for Basket of OE Vertical 3

Faculty of Humanities

Board of Studies in Philosophy

Second Year Programme

Semester

III

Title of Paper

INDIAN ETHICS

Credits

2

From the Academic Year

2025-26

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Sr. No.	Heading	Particulars
1	Description of the course : Including but Not limited to :	This course offers a deep exploration of the ethical systems, principles, and moral values that have shaped the intellectual and cultural traditions of India. The course will explore how these ethical frameworks address questions of personal morality, social responsibility, and the pursuit of the Good Life in the context of modern ethical dilemmas.
2	Vertical :	Open Elective
3	Type :	Theory
4	Credit:	2 credits (1 credit = 15 Hours for Theory or 30 Hours of Practical work in a semester)
5	Hours Allotted :	30 Hours
6	Marks Allotted:	50 Marks
7	Course Objectives: (List some of the course objectives) 1. To acquaint students with the basic ethical concepts of Indian Philosophy 2. To encourage students to develop critical thinking 3. To understand the relevance of ancient Indian ethical principles in modern life.	
8	Course Outcomes: (List some of the course outcomes) 1. Evaluate the strengths and limitations of these ethical systems regarding their practical applications. 2. Demonstrate the ability to apply ethical concepts to modern ethical dilemmas. 3. Cultivate critical thinking skills by evaluating ethical arguments, identifying underlying assumptions, and offering well-reasoned conclusions. 4. Engage in reflective thinking about one's own moral views	

9	Modules: - Per credit One module can be created	
	Module 1: Ancient Ethics (15)	
	a) Purusārtha, Ṛta and Ṛṇa b) Ethics of Bhagawat Gitā: Svadharma c) Niskāma Karma Yoga and Lokasangraha	
	Module 2: Hetrodox Ethics (15)	
	a) Cārvāka Ethics b) Buddhist Ethics: Eight fold path, Pañcaśīla c) Jaina Ethics: Triratna, Anuvrata and Mahāvrata	
11	Reference Books: Suggested Readings: 1. Joshi, Prof. H.M (2000): Traditional and Contemporary Ethics-Western and Indian, Bharatiya Vidya Prakashan 2. Radakrishnan S, (1929): Indian Philosophy, Vol. I, Oxford University Press 3. Sarmah, C.D. (1962): A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy, Motilal Banarsidass Publishers Private Limited, New Delhi 4. Chatterjee, S.C. & Datta, D.M. (1984): An Introduction to Indian Philosophy, Calcutta University, Calcutta 5. Rachel, J. (1986): The Elements of Moral Philosophy, McGraw-Hill 6. Bilimoria, Purushottama (2007): Indian Ethics: Classical Traditions and Contemporary Challenges, New Delhi, Oxford University Press 7. Gauhati Viswavidyalaya: Bharatiya Darsana 8. Bhattacharyya, Jyotsna: Bharatiya Darsana 9. Pujari, Bandana: Bharatiya Darsana 10. Devi, Anjali: Bharatiya Darsana	
12	Internal Continuous Assessment: 40%	External, Semester End Examination 60% Individual Passing in Internal and External Examination

13	Continuous Evaluation through: Quizzes, Class Tests, presentation, project, role play, creative writing, assignment etc.(at least 3)			
		Sr. No.	Particular	Marks
		1	Classroom Presentations/ Assignments/Quiz/ Internal Test on any topic from the syllabus	10
		2	Essay Submission/ Book review/ Project Field Visit Report / Educational Activity Report	10
14	Format of Question Paper: for the final examination External / Semester End Examination Marks: 30 Time: 1 Hour. Three questions of 15 marks each. Students have to attempt any 2 questions. Equitable distribution to each module. Question three, short notes, any three out of four.(5 marks each).			

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