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I Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – Reg./Supple./Improv.)
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CORE COURSE IN PHILOSOPHY
1B01 PHI : Introduction to Philosophical Studies
(2014 Admn. Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

PART – A

Answer **all** questions. **Each** answer carries **1** mark.

Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate answer chosen from the given options.

1. According to Marx, "Philosophers have interpreted the world, but the question is how to _____ it".
a) Change b) Perceive c) Cognize d) Transcend

2. _____ is/are true of ancient Greek philosophy.
i) It began with the Idealism of Plato.
ii) It was marked by the transition from mythology to cosmology.
iii) Theology was its principal concern.
iv) Being vs. Becoming was one of its major issues.
a) (i) and (iv) b) (i) and (ii)
c) (ii) and (iv) d) All the four

3. Dualism vs. Monism was the crux of the ontological disagreement between _____.
a) Descartes and Spinoza b) Descartes and Leibnitz
c) Leibnitz and Kant d) Plato and Leibnitz

4. _____ is a concern of Applied Ethics.
a) Organ transplantation b) Euthanasia
c) Capital punishment d) All these

(4x1=4)

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PART – B

Answer **any seven** questions. **Each** answer should **not** exceed **50** words. **Each** answer carries **2** marks.

5. Bring out the nature of philosophy as a critical discipline.
6. What is the specific norm of the classification of classical Indian philosophy into orthodox and heterodox? Give examples for the two.
7. Explain the divisions of philosophy according to the geographical norm.
8. Give a brief account of the method of science.
9. Explain the ethical connotations of the terms 'right' and 'good'.
10. Distinguish between the coherence and correspondence theories of truth.
11. State the basic tenets of Phenomenalism.
12. Summarize the basic metaphysical notion of common sense realism.
13. Define 'Naturalism' and give the names of any two thinkers of ancient Greece who held the view.
14. Write a short note on the subject matter of logic. (7×2=14)

PART – C

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** answer should **not** exceed **100** words. **Each** answer carries **3** marks.

15. Sum up your ideas about the uses of the study of philosophy.
16. Write a note on the ritualistic phase of Vedic religion.
17. Define 'Monism' and add a note on the central principle of Upanishadic monism.



18. Describe the ontological postulate of Subjective Idealism.
19. Explain the basic postulate of Absolute Idealism. Who is the most prominent representative of the system?
20. Bring out the differences between reason and authority as sources of knowledge. (4×3=12)

PART – D

Answer **any two** questions. **Each** answer should **not** exceed **250** words. **Each** answer carries **5** marks.

21. Bring out the main differences between religion and philosophy.
22. Summarize the characteristics of modern western philosophy.
23. Distinguish between the metaphysical position of Materialism and Idealism.
24. Describe the subject matter of Aesthetics and explain the nature of aesthetic experience. (2×5=10)