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IV Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – Reg./Supple./Imp.)
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(2014 Admn. Onwards)
CORE COURSE IN PHILOSOPHY
4B06 PHI : Modern Western Philosophy

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

PART – A

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

1. Which philosopher makes use of the phrase 'Cogito Ergo Sum' ?
2. Leibnitz explains his reconciling tendency between mind and matter with the help of
3. Who is the author of the book 'Critique of Pure Reason' ?
4. The philosopher associated with Subjective Idealism is (4×1=4)

PART – B

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

5. Give an account of the Mind-Body Parallelism in Spinoza's philosophy.
6. Briefly explain the features of the four idols given by Bacon.
7. Discuss the method of doubting introduced by Descartes as the starting point of philosophy.
8. Examine the concept of innate ideas in the philosophy of Descartes.
9. Explain the features of pantheism in the philosophy of Spinoza.

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10. Examine the basic features of Locke's empiricism.
11. How did Berkeley reject Locke's distinction between primary and secondary qualities ?
12. Distinguish between Impressions and Ideas according to Hume.
13. Why did Kant call his philosophy transcendental Idealism ?
14. Which are the three stages in the dialectical process of Hegel ? Give a brief account of it. (7×2=14)

PART – C

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

15. Explain the relation between Mind and Body in Leibnitz's philosophy.
16. In what sense Hume can be considered as a skeptic ? Substantiate your views.
17. Explain the differences between primary and secondary qualities according to Locke.
18. 'Knowledge must begin with experience, but does not necessarily originate from it.' Elucidate.
19. Briefly explain the importance of Cartesian interactionism.
20. Discuss the features of the Absolute Idealism of Hegel. (4×3=12)

PART – D

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

21. Discuss the general characteristics of Modern Western Philosophy.
 22. Critically analyse the philosophy of Leibnitz.
 23. 'Kant's philosophy is reconciliation between empiricism and rationalism' – Explain.
 24. Explain briefly the Subjective Idealism of Berkeley. (2×5=10)
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