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**III Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E.-Regular/Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, November 2024  
(2019 to 2023 Admissions)**

**CORE COURSE IN PHILOSOPHY**

**3B04 PHI : Ancient and Medieval Western Philosophy**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

**PART – A  
(Short Answer)**

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

Write short notes on the following :

1. Humanism.
2. Efficient cause.
3. Cosmology.
4. Sophists.
5. Skepticism.
6. Virtue is knowledge.

(6×1=6)

**PART – B  
(Short Essay)**

Answer **any six** questions. **Each** answer carries **2** marks.

7. Write a short note on "Allegory of Cave".
8. Briefly explain the method initiated by Socrates in Philosophy.
9. Examine the importance of Thales in Greek philosophy.
10. Analyze the distinction between faith and reason in the philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas.
11. Explain briefly the problem of change and permanence in the philosophy of Parmenides.

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12. 'The main teaching of Heraclitus is that everything is in a constant flux'. Analyze this statement.
13. Briefly explain the significance of the philosophy of Protagoras in Greek philosophy.
14. Explain briefly the problem of evil in the philosophy of St. Augustine. (6×2=12)

**PART – C  
(Essay)**

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** answer carries **3** marks.

15. Briefly explain the ontological argument put forward by St. Anselm for the proving existence of God.
16. Examine Anaximander's view of Substance.
17. Explain briefly Aristotle's concept of form and matter.
18. Discuss the important features of medieval philosophy.
19. Examine St. Augustine's view on free will and divine grace. (4×3=12)
20. Briefly explain Aristotle's view of causation.

**PART – D  
(Long Essay)**

Answer **any two** questions. **Each** answer carries **5** marks.

21. Explain the important characteristics of Greek Philosophy.
22. Elucidate the various proofs for the existence of God advanced by St. Thomas Aquinas.
23. Discuss the main contributions of Aristotle to Greek Philosophy. (2×5=10)
24. Critically evaluate Plato's Doctrine of Ideas.