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K24P 3072

III Semester M.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – OBE-Regular)
Examination, October 2024
(2023 Admission)
PHILOSOPHY
MAPHL03C12 : Philosophy of Gender

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

PART – A

Answer **any 5** of the following. **Each** question carries **3** marks.

1. Describe gender as a social construct.
2. What is patriarchy ? How does it operate ?
3. Explain intersectionality.
4. How does the gender spectrum transcend the binary ?
5. Examine the notion of femininity as failed masculinity.
6. Describe Merleau Ponty's theory of embodiment.

(5×3=15)

PART – B

Answer **any 3** of the following. **Each** question carries **6** marks.

7. Evaluate Judith Butler's notion of gender performativity.
8. 'Women do not exist in the symbolic order'. Analyze this statement in the light of the perspective of Jacques Lacan.
9. Assess Toril Moi's critique of Jacques Lacan.
10. Examine the Freudian concept 'little girl as little man'.
11. Critically analyze the notions of masculinity and femininity in the light of the philosophy of gender.

(3×6=18)

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PART – C

Answer **any 3** of the following. **Each** question carries **9** marks.

12. Write an essay on Michael Foucault's perspective on sexuality and power.
13. Bring to light Iris Marion Young's critique of Maurice Merleau Ponty.
14. Evaluate Luce Irigaray's perspective of gender and bring out her critique of Sigmund Freud.
15. Critically examine the notions of gender, sex and sexuality.
16. How does Carol Gilligan distinguish between care based morality and justice based morality in her care ethics ?

(3×9=27)