



TRIPURA UNIVERSITY
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Suryamaninagar, Tripura, India

SYLLABUS
FOR
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(FYUGP)
(BA IN PHILOSOPHY)
(Under the Guidelines of NEP 2020)

SEMESTERS: I - VIII

COURSES: MAJOR (CORE), MINOR (ELECTIVE)
& INTER-DISCIPLINARY (ID)

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Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Subject: Philosophy
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Semester – I
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – I (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL - 101C
Indian Philosophy-I
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit- I: Basic concept of Indian Philosophy: Indian Philosophical Schools: *Astika* (Orthodox) and *Nastika* (Heterodox), Common characteristics of Indian philosophy, Spiritualism in Indian philosophy, Some charges against Indian philosophy: Dogmatic, Pessimistic

Unit- II: Concept of Soul: Concept of Soul (*Ātman*) in the Orthodox and the Heterodox schools of Indian Philosophy.

Unit- III: Carvaka School: Epistemology, Metaphysics (materialism, theory of causation)
Jainism: *Anekantavada*, *Syadvada* and *Nayavada*, *Dravya* (Substance), *Pudgalavada* (atomism)

Unit- IV: Buddhism: Theory of Dependent Origination, Theory of Momentariness, Four schools of Buddhism: *Soutrantika*, *Vaibhasika*, *Madhyamika* and *Yogacara*

Suggested Readings:

1. *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*: D.M. Dutta and S.C. Chatterjee
2. *Outlines of Indian Philosophy* : M. Hiriyana
3. *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*: C.D. Sharma
4. *Indian Philosophy (Vol. I & Vol. III)*: S. Radhakrishnan
5. *Central Philosophy of Buddhism*: T.R.V. Murti
6. *Reason and Tradition in Indian Philosophy*: J.N. Mohanty
7. *Studies in Philosophy: Vol. I*: K.C. Bhattacharya
8. *Sayan Madhaviya Sarva Darsan Saigraha*: Satyajyoti Chakraborty
9. *Bharatiya Darsan*: Debabrata Sen
10. *Bharatiya Darsan*: Nirode Baran Chakraborty
11. *Carvaka Darsan*: Panchanan Sastri
12. *Carvaka Darsan*: Daksina Ranjan Sastri
13. *Buddha Darsan*: Panchanan Sastri

14. *Nyaya-Vaisesika Darsana*: Karuna Bhattacharya
15. *Sankhya Tattva Kaumudi*: Narayan Goswami
16. *Sankhya Patanjali Darsan*: Kanak Prava Bhattacharya
17. *Purva Mimansa Darsan*: Sukhomay Bhattacharya
18. *Bharatiya Darsan*: Pradyot Kumar Mandal
19. *Bharatiya Darsaner Marma Katha*: Haridas Bandupadhyaya
20. *Bhartiya Darsan*: Dipak Kumar Bagchi
21. *Bhartiya Darsan*: Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – I
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – II (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL-102C
Western Philosophy-I
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit– I: Pre-Socratic thoughts: Origin and Development of Early Greek thoughts, The problem of Substance (Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes, Pythagoras), The problem of Change (Heraclitus, Xenophanes, Parmenides, Zeno), Problems of Knowledge and Conduct: Sophist (Progress of Thought, Theory of Knowledge, Greek enlightenment)

Unit– II: (i) Socrates : Socratic Problem, Socratic Method, Socratic Schools

(ii) Plato: Theory of knowledge (episteme) and opinion (doxa), Theory of Forms

(iii) Aristotle: Critique of Plato's theory of Forms, Theory of Causation, Form and Matter, Potentiality and Actuality

Unit– III: Theories of Knowledge (Empiricism, Rationalism and Criticism), Theories of Truth (Correspondence, Coherence and Pragmatic)

Unit– IV: Realism (Naïve and Representative), Idealism (Subjective and Objective), Theories of Causality (Regularity and Entailment), Substance (Empiricist and Rationalist View),

Suggested Readings:

1. *Greek Philosophy*: Burnet
2. *A History of Philosophy*: F. Copleston
3. *A Critical History of Modern Philosophy*: D.J. O' Connor
4. *History of Modern Philosophy*: Richard Falckenberg
5. *A History of Modern Philosophy*: W.K. Wright
6. *A Critical History of Greek Philosophy*: W.T. Stace
7. *The Rationalists*: John Cottingham

8. *Critique of Pure Reason*: Kant (Edited by N.K. Smith)
9. *Guide to General Philosophy* - Jagadiswar Sanyal
10. *Kanter Darsan*: Rash Vihari Das
11. *A Handbook of Kant's Critique of Pure Reason*: Rash Vihari Das
12. *Plato and Aristotle*: Nirode Baran Chakraborty
13. *Paschatya Darsaner Itihas (Plato O Aristotle)*: Debabrata Sen
14. *Pāśchātya Darśan*- Pramode Bandhu Sengupta
15. *Pāśchātya Darśan* – Samarandra Bhattacharya
16. *Pāśchātya Darśan* – Jagadiswar Sanyal
17. *Pāśchātya Darśaner Sanksipta Itihas (Prachin Yog)*- Pramode Bandhu Sengupta
18. *Pāśchātya Darśaner Itihas (I)*- Samarandra Bhattacharya

Semester – I
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – I (MINOR/ELECTIVE)
Paper Code: PL-101M
Ethics and Environment
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit- I : Nature, scope and significance of Ethics and Environment

Moral attitudes towards biotic and abiotic life-world: Man's responsibility towards biotic and abiotic life-world, conservation of abiotic world, population explosion, global warming and climate change, duties and responsibilities towards future generation

Unit- II : Man-Nature Relationship: Biocentrism and Anthropocentrism

Unit- III : The Contemporary Indian perspectives on Environment (M. K. Gandhi and Tagore)

Unit- IV : Environmental movements in India,
 Eco-feminism: Feminists and environmental ethics.

Suggested Readings:

1. Kuhse, H. and Singer, P.; *A Companion to Bio-ethics*, 2nd ed., Blackwell Publishing Ltd., 2009.
2. Callicut, J. B. and Frodeman, R., *Encyclopedia of Environmental Ethics and Philosophy*, Vol. I & 2, MacMillan, GALE, Cengage Learning, 2009.
3. Taylor, P. W.; *Respect for Nature*, Princeton University Press, Princeton and Oxford, 1989.
4. *The Feminist Papers from Adams to De Beauvoir*, North Eastern University Press, Boston, 1988.

5. Preston, C. J. and Ouderkirk, W.; *Nature, Value and Duty*, Springer, 2007.
6. Singer, P.; *Practical Ethics*, Cambridge University Press, New York, 2011.

Semester – I
Subject: Philosophy (Inter-Disciplinary)
Paper – I
Paper Code: PL - 101 ID
Introduction to Philosophy (Indian and Western)
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 3

- Unit- I :** (i) Carvaka : Epistemology, Metaphysics
(ii) Jaina : *Anekantavada, Syadvada*
- Unit- II :** (i) Nyaya: Perception, Inference
(ii) Vaisesika: Categories: *Dravya, Samanya, Samavaya*, Atomism
- Unit- III :** (i) Theories of Knowledge: Empiricism, Rationalism, Critical Theory
(ii) Theories of Truth: Correspondence, Coherence, Pragmatic
- Unit- IV :** (i) Idealism: Subjective and Objective
(ii) Realism: Naïve, Representative
(iii) Substance: Empiricist view and Rationalist view

Suggested Readings:

1. C.D. Sharma, *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi
2. Frank Thilly, *A History of Philosophy*, New Delhi,
3. Anthony Kenny, *A New History of Western Philosophy*, Vol. I-IV, Clarendon Press,
4. Datta,D, and Chatterjee, S, *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, Rupa Publications,
5. *Indian Philosophy*, Vol. I & II, Oxford University Press.

Semester – II
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – III (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL-201C
Indian Philosophy-II
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit- I: Nyaya Philosophy: Definition of *Pratyaksa*, Definition of *Sannikarsa* and its classification, Classification of *Pratyaksa* – *Laukika, Alaukika, Nirvikalpaka* and *Savikalpaka*; *Anumana*- Nature of *anumana*, *vyapti* and *vyaptigraha*, Classification of *anumana-purvavat*, *shesavat* and *samanyatodrsta*, the nature of God and proofs for the existence of God

Unit- II: Vaisesika Philosophy: *Padarthas - Dravya, guna, karma, Samanya, Visesa, Samavaya, Abhava; Paramanuvada* (Atomism),

Unit- III: (i) Samkhya Philosophy: *Satkaryavada*, Nature of *Prakriti* and its constituents, Theory of Evolution

(ii) **Yoga Philosophy:** *Citta, Cittavrtti, Cittabhumi*, Eightfold path of Yoga, God.

(iii) **Purva Mimamsa Philosophy:** *Anupalabdhi, Arthapatti*

Unit- IV: (i) Sankara: Nature of *Brahman*, *Mayavada*, Three grades of *Satta, Jagat, Jiva, Moksa*

(ii) **Ramanuja:** Nature of *Brahman*, Refutation of Sankara's doctrine of *Maya, Jagat, Jiva, Moksa*

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17. *Bharatiya Darsaner Marma Katha:* Haridas Bandupadhyaya
18. *Bhartiya Darsan:* Dipak Kumar Bagchi
19. *Bhartiya Darsan:* Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – II

Subject: Philosophy

Paper – IV (MAJOR)

Paper Code: PL-202C

Western Philosophy-II

Full Marks: 100

Credits: 4

Unit - I: Descartes: Method and need for Method in philosophy, Method of Doubt, *Cogito Ergo Sum*, types of Ideas, criterion of truth, God: nature and proofs for His existence.

Unit - II: Spinoza: Substance, attributes and modes, the concept of ‘God or Nature’, Pantheism, three orders of knowing.

Leibnitz: Monadology, doctrine of pre-established harmony, Law of identity of the indiscernible, Law of continuity, Law of sufficient reason- truths of reason and truths of facts,

Unit - III: Locke: Ideas and their classification, refutation of innate ideas, knowledge and its grades, qualities.

Berkeley: Rejection of abstract ideas, rejection of the distinction between primary and secondary qualities, immaterialism, *esse est percipi*.

Unit - IV: Kant: Conception of critical philosophy, classification of judgments: analytic, synthetic, a priori, a posteriori, possibility of synthetic a priori judgments, the forms of sensibility (space and time), categories of the understanding, the metaphysical deduction of categories, phenomenon and noumenon, postulates of moral judgements.

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14. *Paschatya Darsaner Itihas (Descartes, Spinoza and Leibnitz)*: Chandradaya Bhattacharya
15. *Paschatya Darsaner Itihas: (Locke, Berkeley, Hume)*: Chandradaya Bhattacharya
16. *Pāśchātya Darśaner Itihas (Adhunik Yog)*- Pramode Bandhu Sengupta
17. *Pāśchātya Darśaner Itihas (1,2)*- Samarandra Bhattacharya

Semester – II
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – II (MINOR/ELECTIVE)
Paper Code: PL-201M
Introduction to Western Philosophy
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit – I : Western Epistemology:

Theories of Knowledge (Empiricism, Rationalism and Criticism), Theories of Truth (Correspondence, Coherence and Pragmatic)

Unit – II : Western Metaphysics:

Idealism (Subjective and Objective), Realism (Naïve and Representative)

Unit – III : Western Metaphysics:

Substance (Empiricist and Rationalist View), Theories of Causality (Regularity and Entailment)

Unit – IV : Western Metaphysics:

Refutation of Innate Ideas (Locke), Mind-Body Relation (Interactionism, Parallelism and Identity Theory)

Suggested Readings:

1. *An Introduction to General Philosophy* – S.P. Chakraborty
2. *The Problems of Philosophy* – S.C. Chatterjee
3. *Pāśchātya Darśan*- Pramode Bandhu Sengupta
4. *Pāśchātya Darśan* – Samarandra Bhattacharya
5. *Pāśchātya Darśan* – Jagadiswar Sanyal
6. *Pāśchātya Darśaner Itihās (Descartes, Spinoza, Leibnitz)* – Chandrodya Bhattacharya
7. *Pāśchātya Darśaner Itihās (Locke, Berkley, Hume)* – Chandrodya Bhattacharya

Semester – III
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – V (MAJOR)
Paper Code : PL - 301C
Indian Ethics
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit – I: Presuppositions of Indian Ethics, *Varnāśrama dharma*, *Sādhārana dharma*, *Rta* and *satya*, *Rṇa*, *Sreya* and *Preya*.

Unit – II: Cārvāka Ethics, *Puruṣārthas* and their interrelation, *Puruṣārtha Sādhana*, The Law of Karma.

Unit – III: Buddhist Ethics: The Four Noble Truths, *Śīla*.

Jaina Ethics: Bondage and Liberation of *Jiva*, *Anuvrata*, *Mahāvratā*, *Tīratna*.

Unit – IV: The Gita: *Niṣkāma Karma*, *Svadharmā*, *Paradharmā*, *Nityakarmā*, *Yagñārtha Karma*, *Lokasamgraha*, *Abhyāsa* and *Vairāgya*, *Karmasannyāsa*.

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2. *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*–C.D. Sharma
3. *Purva Mimamsa Darsan*– Sukhamoy Bhattacharya
4. *Principles of Ethics*–Phani Bhusan Chatterjee
5. *The Ethics of the Hindus*– S.K. Maitra
6. *Bhagavad-Gita as it is*–A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada
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8. *Carvak Darsan*– Daksina Ranjan Sastri
9. *Bharatiya Darsan*– Pradyot Kumar Mandal
10. *Bharatiya Darsan*– Nirod Baran Chakraborty
11. *Bharatiya Darsan*– Dipak Kumar Bagchi
12. *Buddha Darsan*- Panchanan Sastri
13. *Sri Gita*- Jagadish Chandra Ghosh

Semester – III

Subject: Philosophy

Paper – VI (MAJOR)

Paper Code: PL-302C

Western Ethics

Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit–I: Nature and Scope of Ethics, Moral and Non-moral action, Voluntary and Non-voluntary action, Motive and Intention.

Unit–II: Nature and Object of Moral Judgment, Postulates of Moral Judgment, Theories of Punishment (Reformative, Preventive and Retributive).

Unit–III: Theories of Moral Standard (Hedonism, Rigorism, Perfectionism),

Unit–IV: Right & Duty: definition and classification, Conflict of Duties, Value (Intrinsic & Extrinsic, Subjective & Objective).

Suggested Readings:

1. *Manual of Ethics*–Mackenzie

2. *An Introduction to Ethics*– William Lillie
3. *Nitividya*– Samarendra Bhattacharya
4. *Nitividyar Tattvakatha* –Somnath Chakraborty
5. *Nitishastra O Dharmadarshan*- Pramod Bandhu Sengupta
6. *Nitivijnana*–Jagadiswar Sannyal
7. *Nitivijnana*- Ramesh Chandra Munsii
8. *Tattvagata Nitividya O Vyavaharik Nitividya*–Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – III
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – III (MINOR/ELECTIVE)
Paper Code: PL - 301M
General Concepts of Indian Ethics
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit–I: Pre-suppositions of Indian Ethics, *Varnasramadharma*, *Sadharanadharma*, *Rta* and *R̥ṇa*, *Sreya* and *Preya*.

Unit–II: Carvaka Ethics, *Purusarthas* and their interrelation, *Purusartha Sadhana*, The Law of *Karma*.

Unit–III: Buddhist Ethics: The Four Noble Truths.

Jaina Ethics: Bondage and Liberation of *Jiva*, *Anuvrata*, *Mahavrata*, *Triratna*.

Unit–IV: The Gita : *Niṣkāma Karma*, *Svadharma*, *Paradharma*, *Lokasamgraha*, *Abhyāsa* and *Vairāgya*, *Karmasannyāsa*.

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4. *Principles of Ethics*–Phani Bhusan Chatterjee
5. *The Ethics of the Hindus*– S.K. Maitra
6. *Bhagavad-Gita as it is*-A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada
7. *Carvaka Darsanam*–Panchanan Sastri
8. *Carvak Darsan*– Daksina Ranjan Sastri
9. *Bharatiya Darsan*– Pradyot Kumar Mandal
10. *Bharatiya Darsan*– Nirod Baran Chakraborty
11. *Bharatiya Darsan*– Dipak Kumar Bagchi
12. *Buddha Darsan*- Panchanan Sastri
13. *Sri Gita*- Jagadish Chandra Ghosh

Semester - III
Subject: Philosophy (Inter-Disciplinary)
Paper – II
Paper Code: PL - 301 ID
Ethics (Indian and Western)
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 3

Unit- I: Indian Ethics: *Purusarthas* and their inter-relations, *Purusartha Sadhana*, Law of *Karma*, Carvaka Ethics.

Unit- II: Indian Ethics: Buddhist Ethics, The Four Noble Truths, Jaina Ethics: *Anuvrata*, *Mahavrata*, *Triratna*.

Unit- III: Western Ethics: Nature and scope of Ethics, Nature and Objects of Moral Judgement, Theories of Punishment- Preventive, reformative and Retributive)

Unit- IV: Western Ethics: Theories of Moral Standard (Hedonism, Rigorism, Perfection).

Practical Ethics: Rights and Human Rights: Their Characteristics, Feminism (Liberal and Radical), Environmental Ethics.

Suggested Readings:

1. *Introduction to Indian Philosophy* – D.M. Dutta & S.C. Chatterjee
2. *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy* – C.D. Sharma
3. *A Manual of Ethics*- Jadunath Sinha
4. *Principles of Ethics* – Phani Bhusan Chatterjee
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8. *Bharatiya Darsan* – Pradyot Kumar Mandal
9. *Bharatiya Darsan* – Nirod Baran Chakraborty
10. *Bharatiya Darsan* – Dipak Kumar Bagchi
11. *Nitishastra o Dharmadarshan*- Pramod Bandhu Sengupta
12. *Nitividya* – Samarendra Bhattacharya
13. *Tattvagata Nitividya O Vyavaharik Nitividya* – Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – IV
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – VII (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL-401C
Social & Political Philosophy (Indian)
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit – I : Some basic concepts of Ancient Indian Political Thought:

Sources and features of Ancient Indian Political Thought, Nature of Ancient Indian State, Aim of State, Theories of Origin of State (Theory of Divine Origin, Contract Theory), Development of Indian Political Thought.

Unit-II: Some basic Social-Political concepts of Pre Medieval and Medieval India:

Pre-Medieval: Concept of Welfare State (Yogaksema) of Kautilya, Difference between Welfare State of Kautilya and Modern Welfare State.

Medieval: Nature of State, Theory of Sovereignty, Theory of Monarchy.

Unit – III: Contemporary Thoughts:

Rammohan Roy: Political Idea, Liberalism, Nationalism.

Swami Vivekananda : Nationalism, Social Justice, Socialist concept.

M. N. Roy: Society, Freedom, Nationalism.

Unit – IV : Contemporary Thoughts:

Bal Gangadhar Tilak: Social reform and Religion, Swaraj, Metaphysical and Religious Ideas.

Sri Aurobindo: Nationalism and Internationalism, Individual and Society, Freedom and Law.

Subhas Chandra Bose: Nationalism, Socialism, Synthesis of Temporal and Spiritual Soul.

Suggested Readings:

1. *Ancient Indian Social and Political Thought* - Sanjay Narula.
2. *Ancient Indian Social History - Some Interrelations* - Romila Thapar.
3. *Political Thought in Ancient India* - Motilal Banarsidas.
4. *Ancient Indian Political Thought and Institution* - Ravi Ranjan.
5. *Men and Thought in Ancient India* - Radhakumud Mookerji.
6. *Indian Political Thought: Ancient and Medieval* - Narendra Kumar.
7. *Ancient and Medieval Indian Political Thought* - V. P. Varma.
8. *Ancient and Medieval Indian Thought - Themes and Traditions* - Ed. by - Ankit Tomar & Suratha Kumar Malik.
9. *India: Society Religion and Literature in Ancient and Medieval Periods* - Publication Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India.
10. *Principles of Social and Political Theory* - Ernest Barker.
11. *Modern Indian Political Thought* - Dr. V. P. Varma.
12. *Foundations of Indian Political Thought* - V. R. Mehta.
13. *Bharatiya Rastracintar Itihas - Vol 1& 2 (in Bengali)* - Subhas Chandra Som.
14. *Bharatiya Rastradarsan (in Bengali)* - Anadi Kumar Mahapatra.

Semester – IV

Subject: Philosophy

Paper- VIII (MAJOR)

Paper Code: PL - 402C

Social & Political Philosophy (Western)

Full Marks: 100

Credits: 4

Unit-I : Basic concepts: Nature and scope of social Philosophy, Community, Association, Institution, Law and Custom, Folkway and Mores, Religious code and Moral code

Unit-II : Social group and its different forms, Characteristics of Modern family and its problems, Relation between Individual and society - Individualism and Socialism

Unit-III : Nature & scope of Political Philosophy, Relation between Social and Political Philosophy,

Theories of Nature of state: Social Contract Theory, idealist Theory, Marxist theory

Unit-IV : Political Ideas: Characteristics of Democratic ideals, Democracy and its different forms, Merits and demerits of Democracy, Socialism: (Utopian and Scientific), Liberty, Equality, Justice.

Suggested Readings:

1. *Society* - MacIver & Page
2. *Guide to Social Philosophy* - Jagadishwar Sanyal
3. *Samajtattva*- Parimal Kar
4. *Samaj Sarsan Dipika* - Priti Bhushan Chatterjee
5. *Samaj Darsan O Rastra Darsan* - Dr. Samarendra Bhattejee
6. *Bharatiya Rastra Darshan* - Anadi Kumar Mahapatra
7. *Bharatiya Rastrachintar Itihas* - Subhas Ch. Som(Vol-1,2)
8. *Samaj Darsan O Rastra Darsan* - Promode Bandhu Sengupta
9. *Samajvijnan Bicitra* - Mrinal Kanti Ghosh Dastidar
10. *Bisoy Samajtattva* - Dr. Anadi Kumar Mahapatra
11. *Political Theory :Principles of Political Science* - R. C. Agarwal
12. *Political Theory :Ideas and Institutions* - Amal Ray & Mohit Bhattacharya

Semester - IV

Subject: Philosophy

Paper – IV (Minor/Elective)

Paper Code: PL - 401M

Western Ethics

Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit– I: Nature and Scope of Ethics, Moral and Non-moral action, Voluntary and Non-voluntary action, Motive and Intention.

Unit– II: Nature and Object of Moral Judgment, Postulates of Moral Judgment, Theories of Punishment (Reformative, Preventive and Retributive).

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8. *Nitivijnana*:Jagadisvar Sannyal
9. *Nitividya*: Dr. Diksit Gupta
10. *Nitividya*: Shibapada Chakraborty

Semester – IV
Subject : Philosophy (Inter-Disciplinary)
Paper - III
Paper Code: PL - 401 ID
Religion & Social Philosophy
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 3

Unit-I: Philosophy of Religion

- (i) Theories of Origin of Religion: Animism, Totemism, Manavada, Ghost theory.
- (ii) Historical Development of Religion: Tribal Religion, National Religion and Universal Religion.

Unit-II: Philosophy of Religion

- (i) Theistic Theories of God: Deism, Pantheism, Theism.
- (ii) Atheistic Theories of God: Positivism, Agnosticism, Marxism.

Unit-III: Social Philosophy

Basic concepts: Nature and scope of social Philosophy, Community, Association, Institution, Law and Custom, Folkway and Mores.

Unit-IV: Social Philosophy

Social group and its different forms, Characteristics of Modern family and its problems, Relation between Individual and society- Individualism and Socialism.

Suggested Readings:

1. *The Philosophy of Religion*: M. Edwards
2. *An Introduction to Philosophy*: J. Caird
3. *Philosophy of Religion*: John Hick
4. *Dharmadarsan*: Sushil Kumar Chakraborty
5. *Dharmadarsan*: Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharjee
6. *Dharmadarsan*: Ramesh Ch. Munsu
7. *Dharmadarsan*: Pramode Bandhu Sengupta
8. *Dharmadarsan*: Rabindranath Das
9. *Society*: MacIver & Page
10. *Samajtattva*: Parimal Kar
11. *Samaj Sarsan Dipika*: Priti Bhushan Chatterjee
12. *Samaj Darsan O Rastra Darsan*: Dr. Samarendra Bhatterjee

13. *Bharatiya Rastra Darsan*: Anadi Kumar Mahapatra
14. *Bharatiya Rastrachintar Itihus*: Subhas Ch. Som (Vol-1,2)

Semester – V
Subject : Philosophy
Paper - IX (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 501C
Indian Logic-I: Tarkasamgraha with Dipikā : Annambhatta
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I:- Buddhi or Jnāna, Anuvyavasāya, Smṛti, Anubhava- Yathārtha anubhava and Ayathārtha anubhava, Different kinds of Ayathārtha anubhava

Unit-II:- Karaṇa, Different views of Karaṇa, Kāraṇa, Different kinds of Kāraṇa, Anyathāsiddha and its different kinds, Definition of Pratyakṣa, Savikalpaka and Nirvikalpaka pratyakṣa, Sannikarṣa

Unit-III:- Definition of Anumāna and Anumiti, Nature of Pakṣa, Sādhya, Hetu, Sapakṣa, Vipakṣa, Features of Sat Hetu, Kevalānvayi, Kevala-vyateriki and Anvaya-vyateriki hetu.

Unit-IV:- Karaṇa, Kāraṇa, Vyāpāra, Anyathāsiddha, Sannikarṣa, Pakṣa, Sādhya, Hetu, Sapakṣa, Vipakṣa, different kinds of hetu. **(There will be no descriptive type questions in this unit. There will be exercise only)**

Suggested Readings:

1. *Tarkasamgraha- Dipikaon Tarkasamgraha*- Gopinath Bhattacharya
2. *Tarkasamgraha O Tarkasamgraha Dipika*- Indira Mukhopadhaya
3. *Tarkasamgraha: Adhyapanasahita*- Sri Narayana Chandra Goswami
4. *Tarkasamgraha O Dipika*- Bibhuti Bhushan Biswas
5. *Tarkasamgraha (Dipikasaha)*- Samarendra Bhattacharjee
6. *Tarkasamgraha (Dipikasahita)*- Sri Niranjan Svarup Brahmachari
7. *Tarkasamgraha*- Panchanan Shastri

Semester – V
Subject : Philosophy
Paper - X (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 502C
Western Logic-I: Introduction to Logic : I.M. Copi
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: Chapter - 5: Categorical Propositions

Categorical Propositions and classes, Quality, Quantity and Distribution, The Traditional Square of Opposition, Further Immediate Inferences, Existential Import, Symbolism and Diagrams for Categorical Propositions

Unit-II: Chapter- 6: Categorical Syllogism

Standard-Form of Categorical syllogism, The Formal nature of Syllogistic argument, Venn Diagram technique for testing Syllogism, Rules and Fallacies

Unit-III: Chapter- 7: Arguments in Ordinary Language

Enthymemes, Sorites, Disjunctive and Hypothetical syllogisms, Dilemma

Unit-IV: Chapter- 8: Symbolic Logic

The value of special symbols, symbol for Conjunction, Negation, and Disjunction, Conditional statements and Material Implication, Argument Form and Argument, Statement Form, Material equivalence and logical equivalence.

Suggested Readings-

1. *Introduction to Logic*- I.M.Copi & Carl Cohen
2. *Tarkavijnana* - Sukla Chakraborty
3. *Snatak Darshan*- Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – V**Subject: Philosophy****Paper - XI (MAJOR)****Paper Code: PL – 503C****Philosophy of Religion**

Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: (i) Definition and Nature of Religion, (ii) Religion and Science, (iii) Religion and Morality, (iv) Philosophy and Religion, (v) Ancient Theories of origin of Religion (Divine Revelation, Human Reason)

Unit-II: Modern of Scientific Theories of Origin of Religion – Anthropological (Animism, Totemism, Ghost theory, Conception of Mana, Magic & Religion) and Psychological (Theory of Religious Instinct, Theory of Elemental emotion- Fear), Historical Development of Religion (Tribal Religion, National Religion, Universal Religion)

Unit-III: (i) Concept of Nature and Attributes of God

(ii) Arguments of proofs for the existence of God (Ontological, Cosmological, Teleological)

(iii) Theories of relation of God to World (Deism, Theism, Pantheism)

Unit-IV: Problem of Evil, Classification of Evil, Theories of Evil

(i) Atheistic Theories (Materialism, Naturalism, Positivism, Agnosticism, Marxist theory of Religion)

(ii) Social Role of Religion

Suggested Readings:

1. *The Philosophy of Religion*– M. Edwards

2. *Philosophy of Religion* – John Hick
3. *An Introduction to Philosophy of Religion*– John Caird
4. *Dharmadarśan (in Bengali)* – Pramod Bandhu Sengupta
5. *Dharmadarśan (in Bengali)* –Sushil Kumar Chakraborty
6. *Dharmadarśan (in Bengali)*- Amitabha Bandopadhyay & K.C.Gupta
7. *Dharmadarśan (in Bengali)*- Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharjee
8. *Dharmadarśan (in Bengali)*- Ramesh Chandra Munsii

Semester – V
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XII (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 504C
Introduction to Analytical Philosophy
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: John Hospers- An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis: Ch-1: i) Word Meaning, ii) Definition, iii) Vagueness, iv) Sentence Meaning

Unit-II: John Hospers- An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis: Ch-2, 3: i) Concepts, ii) Knowledge, iii) Analytic Truth and Logical possibility, iv) The A priori,

Unit-III: John Hospers- An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis: Ch-4, 5: i) Law of Nature , ii) Problem of Induction, iii) Causal Principle, iv) Determinism and Freedom

Unit-IV: John Hospers- An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis: Ch- 6, 8: i) Mind and Body (Interactionism, Parallelism and Identity Theory), ii) Realism, iii) Idealism, iv) Phenomenalism

Suggested Readings:

1. *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis*- John Hospers
2. *Drsanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha*- Samari Kanta Samanta
3. *Paschatya Darshan (Jnanatattva O Adhividyā Shakha)*- Ramesh Chandra Munsii
4. *Drsanik Bishlesaner Bhumika (Jnanatattva, Adhividyak Tattva)*- Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – V
Subject : Philosophy
Paper – V (MINOR)
Paper Code: PL – 501M
Western Logic: Introduction to Logic: I.M. Copi
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: Chapter-5: Categorical Propositions: Categorical Propositions and classes, Quality, Quantity and Distribution, The Traditional Square of Opposition, Further Immediate Inferences, Existential Import, Symbolism and Diagrams for Categorical Propositions

Unit-II: Chapter-6: Categorical Syllogism: Standard-Form of Categorical syllogism, The Formal nature of Syllogistic argument, Venn Diagram technique for testing Syllogism, Rules and Fallacies

Unit-III: Chapter- 8: Symbolic Logic: The value of special symbols, symbol for Conjunction, Negation, and Disjunction, Conditional statements and Material Implication, Argument Form and Argument, Statement Form, Material equivalence and logical equivalence.

Unit-IV: Chapter-11: Analogy and Probable Inference: Argument by Analogy, Appraising Analogical Arguments

Chapter-12: Causal connections: Mill's methods of Experimental Inquiry: Meaning of cause, Mill's Experimental Methods (Method of Agreement, Method of Difference, Method of Concomitant Variation)

Suggested Readings:

1. *Introduction to Logic* - I.M. Copi & Carl Cohen
2. *Tarkavijnana*- Sukla Chakraborty
3. *Paschatya Yuktivijnana- Pratham Khanda*: Pramode Bandhu Sengupta & Mrinmoy Basu
4. *Snatak Darshan*- Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – VI

Subject: Philosophy

Paper – XIII (MAJOR)

Paper Code: PL – 601C

Indian Logic-II: Tarkasamgraha with Dipikā : Annambhatta

Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: Parāmarśa, Pakṣatā, Vyāpti & Vyāptigrāhaka, Svārthanumana and Parārthanumana, Members of Parārthanumana.

Unit-II: Hetvābhāsa and its different kinds, Upādhi and its different kinds, Upamāna and Upamiti, Arthāpatti

Unit-III: Sabda and kinds of Sabda, Sakti, Lakṣaṇā and its different kinds, Ākāṁkha, Yogyatā and Sannidhi, Svataḥprāmāṇyavāda and Parataḥprāmāṇyavāda

Unit-IV: Hetvābhāsa, Upādhi, Upamiti, Lakṣaṇā **(In this unit there will be no descriptive type questions. There will be exercise only)**

Suggested Readings:

1. *Tarkasamgraha-Dipika on Tarkasamgraha*- Gopinath Bhattacharya
2. *Tarkasamgraha O Tarkasamgraha Dipika*- Indira Mukhopadhyaya

3. *Tarkasamgraha:Adhyapanasahita* – Sri Narayana Chandra Goswami
4. *Tarkasamgraha O Dipika*- Bibhuti Bhushan Biswas
5. *Tarkasamgraha (Dipikasaha)* – Samarendra Bhattacharjee
6. *Tarkasamgraha (Dipikasaahita)* – Sri Niranjan Svarup Brahmachari
7. *Tarkasamgraha* - Panchanan Shastri

Semester – VI
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XIV (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 602C
Western Logic-II : Introduction to Logic - I.M.Copi
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I : Chapter- 9: Method of Deduction: Formal proof of validity, Rule of Replacement, Proof of Invalidity and Inconsistency

Unit-II: Chapter- 10: Quantification theory: Singular propositions, Quantification, Traditional subject-predicate propositions, Proving validity, Proving Invalidity, Syllogistic Inference

Unit-III: Chapter-11: Analogy and Probable Inference: Argument by Analogy, Appraising Analogical Arguments

Chapter-12: Causal connections: Mill's methods of Experimental Inquiry: Meaning of cause, Mill's Methods (Method of Agreement, Difference, Concomitant Variation, Joint method of Agreement and Difference)

Unit IV: Chapter-13: Science and Hypothesis: Explanation- Scientific and Unscientific, Evaluating scientific explanation, Detective as Scientist, Crucial Experiments and Ad Hoc Hypothesis,

Chapter-14: Probability: Meaning of Probability, Probability and Inductive Logic, Alternative Conceptions of Probability, Probability and Decision

Suggested Readings:

1. *Introduction to Logic* - I.M. Copi & Carl Cohen
2. *Tarkavijnana* - Sukla Chakraborty
3. *Snatak Darshan* – Samarendra Bhattacharjee
4. *Pachatya Yuktivijnana* – Promode Bandhu Sengupta & Mrinmoy Basu

Semester – VI
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XV (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 603C
Special Texts (Indian)
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit – I : The Gita

Chapter: I- Arjunaviṣādyoga, Chapter: III- Karmayoga, Chapter: IV- Jñānayoga
Chapter: V- Sannyāsayoga

Unit–II :The Gita

Chapter: VI- Abhyāsayoga, Chapter: VII- Jñāna-Vijñānayoga, Chapter: XII- Bhaktiyoga
Chapter : XVIII- Mokṣayoga

Unit-III: Jñānayoga – Swami Vivekananda

Chapter: 1. The Necessity of Religion
2. The Real Nature of Man
4. Maya and the Evolution of the Concept of God
9. Unity in Diversity

Unit–IV: Jñānayoga – Swami Vivekananda

- i) The Way to the Realisation of a Universal Religion
- ii) The Ideal of a Universal Religion
- iii) Sankhya and Vedanta
- iv) The Goal

Suggested Readings:

1. *Srimadbhagavat Gita* –Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
2. *Sri Gita (inBengali)* – Sri Jagadish Chandra Ghosh
3. *Gita Nibandha (in Bengali)* –Sri Aurobindo
4. *Essays on the Gita* – Sri Aurobindo
5. *Gita Rahasya*– Bal Gangadhar Tilak
6. *The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda* – Vol. II
7. *Jñānayoga* – Swami Vivekananda
8. *Jugodishari Vivekananda (in Bengali)* –ed. Swami Purnatmananda
9. *Swami Vivekanander Bani O Rachana Sankalan (in Bengali)* – ed. Swami Satybratananda.

Semester – VI
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XVI (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 604C
Special Texts (Western)
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: An Inquiry Concerning Human Understanding - David Hume : Ch-I (Of the Different species of Philosophy), Ch-2 (Of the Origin of Ideas), Ch-3 (Of the Association of Ideas), Ch-4 (Sceptical Doubts concerning the operations of the Understanding),

Unit-II: An Inquiry Concerning Human Understanding - David Hume: Ch-7 (Of the Idea of Necessary connection), Ch-8 (Of Liberty and Necessity), Ch-10 (Of Miracles), Ch-12 (Of the Academical or Sceptical philosophy)

Unit-III: The Problems of Philosophy - Bertrand Russell: Ch- 1 (Appearance and Reality), Ch-5 (Knowledge by Acquaintance and Knowledge by Description), Ch-8 (How A priori knowledge is possible), Ch- 9 (The World of the Universals),

Unit-IV: The Problems of Philosophy - Bertrand Russell: Ch-11 (On Intuitive knowledge), Ch-12 (Truth and Falsehood), Ch-13 (Knowledge, Error and Probable opinion), Ch-14 (The Limits of Philosophical knowledge)

Suggested Readings:

1. *Hume's An Inquiry Concerning Human Understanding* - Rashbihari Das
2. *Hume's An Inquiry Concerning Human Understanding* – Promode Bandhu Sengupta
3. *Paschatya Darshaner Sanskhipta Itihas (Adhunik Yog)* – Promode Bandhu Sengupta
4. *Paschatya Darshaner Itihas (2)* - Dr.Samarendra Bhattacharjee
5. *Russeller Darshaner Samasyabali* - Swapna Sarkar
6. *Russeller Darshan Samasya* - Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharjee

Semester – VI
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – VI (MINOR)
Paper Code: PL – 601M
Social and Political Philosophy (Indian and Western)
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: Socio-Political thoughts of Ancient India: Sources and features of Ancient Indian Political thought, Nature of Ancient Indian state, Theories of origin of state (Theory of Divine Origin, Contract Theory), Aims of state

Unit-II: Socio-Political thoughts of Modern India: Nationalism, Freedom, Social justice with special reference to Rabindranath Tagore, Mahatma Gandhi, Swami Vivekananda

Unit-III: Western Socio-Political thoughts: Nature and scope of Social & Political Philosophy, Community, Association, Institution, Law and Custom, Relation between Individual and society - Individualism and Socialism

Unit-IV: Western Political Ideas: Characteristics of Democratic ideals, Democracy and its different forms, Merits and demerits of Democracy, Socialism - Utopian and Scientific

Suggested Readings:

1. *Society* : MacIver & Page
2. *Guide to Social Philosophy* : Jagadiswar Sanyal
3. *Samajtattva* : Parimal Kar
4. *Samaj Sarsan Dipika*: Priti Bhushan Chatterjee
5. *Samaj Darsan O Rastra Darsan* : Dr. Samarendra Bhattejee
6. *Bharatiya Rastra Darsan* : Anadi Kumar Mahapatra
7. *Bharatiya Rastrachintar Itihus* : Subhas Ch. Som (Vol-1,2)
8. *Samaj Darsan O Rastra Darsan*: Promode Bandhu Sengupta
9. *Fundamentals of Sociology* : P. Gisbert
10. *Rastra Darsaner Dhara*: Amal Kr. Mukhapadhyaya

Semester – VII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XVII (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 701C
Applied Ethics-I

Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit - I: Foundations of Applied Ethics

- i) Definition, scope, and significance of applied ethics
- ii) Applied ethics, normative ethics and meta-ethics
- iii) Concepts of moral agency, moral reasoning, and moral judgment
- iv) Moral relativism and moral objectivism

Unit - II: Environmental Ethics

- i) Definition, Scope and Necessity
- ii) Environmental Pollution :Types of Pollution (Air, water, soil, noise), Causes of environmental pollution, Population explosion and its environmental impact, Global warming, Climate change
- iii) Environmental Theories: Anthropocentrism, Bio-Centrism, Eco-Centrism

Unit - III: Professional Ethics

- i) Business Ethics: Meaning and need for ethics in the workplace, Ethical conduct in business organizations, Issues of corruption, accountability, and whistle blowing,

- ii) Educational Ethics: Ethical conduct in education, Academic integrity (plagiarism, fairness in evaluation), Values in education (honesty, inclusivity, respect).
- iii) Media Ethics: Definition, Characteristics: Truth Telling, Fairness and Biasness, Accurate and Complete News, Responsibility of media in a democracy.

Unit - IV: Medical and Contemporary Moral Issues

- i) Medical Ethics: Principles of Medical Ethics, Limitations of Medical Ethics, Ethical debates on organ transplantation.
- ii) Contemporary Ethical Issues (overview): Gender ethics and social discrimination (Racism and Casteism), Feminism (Radical and Liberal), Rights and human rights.

Suggested Readings:

1. James Rachels & Stuart Rachels, *The Elements of Moral Philosophy*, McGraw-Hill.
2. Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*, Cambridge University Press.
3. Louis P. Pojman, *Ethics: Discovering Right and Wrong*, Cengage Learning.
4. Tom L. Beauchamp & LeRoy Walters (Eds.), *Contemporary Issues in Bioethics*, Wadsworth.
5. Simon Blackburn, *Being Good: A Short Introduction to Ethics*, Oxford University Press.
6. Michael Boylan, *Medical Ethics*, Pearson Education.
7. R. Subramanian, *Professional Ethics*, Oxford University Press.

Semester – VII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XVIII (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 702C
Philosophy of Mind
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: i) Nature, Scope and Historical background of Philosophy of Mind

- ii) **Memory-** Factors of memory, Conditions of memory, Marks of good memory; Forgetfulness
- iii) **Attention-** Nature of attention, causes or conditions of attention, classification of attention,

Unit-II: i) **Mind:** Levels of mind- Conscious, Sub-conscious and Unconscious- their nature and proofs, Field of consciousness

- ii) Consciousness and it's inter relation to the Physical world
- iii) **Dream-** Causes of Dream, Freud's theory of Dream, Dream-work

Unit-III: i) **Instinct-** Nature of Instinct, Biological view of Instinct, McDougall's view of Instinct

- ii) **Personality-** Characteristics of Personality, Factors of Personality
- iii) **Feeling-** Nature of Feeling, Wundt's theory of feeling
- iv) **Emotion-** Nature of Emotion, James-Lange's theory of emotion, Behaviouristic theory of emotion

Unit-IV: i) **Different Theories of Mind-** Functionalism (William James), Dualism (Descartes), Behaviourism (Watson)
ii) **Human Mind and Artificial Intelligence (AI)-** Definition, scope, basic features and limitation of AI

Suggested Readings:

1. *A Modern Introduction to Psychology-* Rex and Knight
2. *Outlines of Psychology-* McDougall
3. *A Manual of Psychology-* Stout
4. *Guide to Psychology-* Jagadiswar Sanyal
5. *Manovidya-* Jagadiswar Sanyal
6. *Manovidya-* Promode Bandhu Sengupta
7. *Manovidya-* Dr. Samarendra Bhattacharjee
8. *Manovidya-* Priti Bhushan Chattapadyaya
9. *Artificial You: AI and the Future of Your Mind-* Susan Schneider
10. *The Age of AI: And our Human Future-* Henry A. Kissinger, Eric Schmidt, Daniel Huttenlocher

Semester – VII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XIX (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 703C
Philosophy of Language
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: J. Hospers-Definition: Different types of definitions- definition by Equivalent words, Causal definition, Stipulative and Reportive definition, definition by Denotation

Meaning: Theories of Meaning- Ideational theory, Behavioural theory, Referential theory

Unit-II: Logical Positivism- Definition, aim and tenets of Logical positivism, Different meaning of the term ‘Meaning’, Theory of analyticity of a priori proposition, Emotive theory, Verification theory of meaning, Refutation of metaphysics

Unit-III: Ludwig Wittgenstein- Concept of object, Picture theory of language, Logical atomism, facts vs things, Elementary proposition, Family resemblance, Language game, Meaning and use.

Unit-IV: Gottlob Frege- Sense and Reference, Proper names and reference, Context principle.
Gilbert Ryle- Category mistake, Ghost in the machine, Ryle’s criticism of Cartesian dualism.

Suggested Readings:

1. *An Introduction to Philosophical Analysis-* John Hospers
2. *Drsanik Bishlesaner Ruparekha-* Samari Kanta Samanta
3. *Paschatya Darshan (Jnanatattva O Adhividya Shakha)-* Ramesh Chandra Munsii

4. *Drsanik Bishlesaner Bhumika* - Samarendra Bhattacharjee
5. *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus*- Ludwig Wittgenstein
6. *Philosophical Investigations*- Ludwig Wittgenstein
7. *Bhasha Darshan*- Samiran Kumar Datta
8. *Binsha Shatabdir Paschatya Darshan*- Anil Kumar Bandyopadhyaya
9. *Binsha Shatabdir Paschatya Darshan*- Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya
10. *On Sense and Reference*- Gottlob Frege
11. *The Foundations of Arithmetic*- Gottlob Frege
12. *The Concept of Mind*- Gilbert Ryle
13. *Paschatya Darshaner Itihas (Adhunik O Samakalin)*- Jatindramohan Bhattacharjee

Semester – VII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XX (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 704C
World Religions
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: Hinduism and Jainism

- i) The Hindu Scriptures and the sources of the Hindu Philosophy (The Vedas, The Vedangas), The religious concepts and practices of the Hindu, Jajna: the Vedic Sacrifice, Concept of Rebirth and the life after death.
- ii) Origin and development of Jainism, The Sacred Scriputers of Jainism, Jaina Sects, Concept of Jiva and Ajiva.

Unit-II: Buddhism and Shikhism

- i) Origin and development of Buddhism, The Tripitaka, The main reasons of the emerging of Buddhism, The Four Noble Truths, Karmavada in Buddhism.
- ii) Socio- religious background of Shikhism, The Guru tradition in the Sikh community, The Ethical teachings of Shikhism.

Unit-III: Zoroastrianism, Taoism, Confucianism, Shintoism

The basic concepts On: a) Background & Origin b) Core Beliefs & Practices c) Social Role

Unit-IV: Christianity and Islam

- i) Christianity: A brief historical introduction, Some Core Beliefs: (The Concept of God, Incarnation), Trinity, The Theory of Creation
- ii) An Overview of Islamic Origin, The Pillars of Faith in Islam, The concept of Revelation and Prophet, The Islamic Sects

Suggested Readings:

1. *Dharma Darshan (in Bengali)* - Pramod Bandhu Sengupta
2. *Dharma Darshan (in Bengali)* - Samarendra Bhattacharjee

3. *History of Indian Philosophy* - S. N. Dasgupta
4. *The Essentials of Indian Philosophy* - M. Hiriyana
5. *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy* - D. My. Dutta & S. C. Chatterjee
6. *Jaina Philosophy* - Mohanlal Mehta
7. *Jaina Philosophy of Religion* - J. Shah, Nagin
8. *The Fundamentals of Buddhism* - Rupert Gettlin
9. *Buddhism in the history of Indian Idea* - N. N. Bhattacharjee
10. *Boudhha Darshan O Dharma* - Swami Vidyananda
11. *Hinduism: A Religion for the Modern Age* - M. Anand, Saxena
12. *Essentials of Hinduism* - Swami Tattvavidyananda
13. *Hindu Culture: An Introduction* - Swami Tejomayananda
14. *Vedic Dharma and Culture* - Swami Pranavananda Saraswati
15. *The Sikh Religion (Vol- VI)* - Max Arther McAuliffe (Oxford)
16. *Shikhism* - Daljeet Singh
17. *Philosophy of Shikhism* - Nirbai Singh
18. *The Bible - The New Revised Standard Version*
19. *Christianity and Philosophy* - Keith. E. Yandell
20. *Evil and the God of Love* - John Hick
21. *An Introduction to Islamic Philosophy* - M. Campanini
22. *History of Islamic Philosophy* - Henry Cerbin
23. *Understanding of Confucianism* - Jennifer Moore
24. *Shinto, The Way of the Gods* - W. Go. Aston
25. *A Study of Shinto: The Religion of Japanese Nation* - G. Kato
26. *The World's Religion* - Norman Anderson

Semester - VII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper - VII (MINOR)
Paper Code: PL- 701M
Philosophy of Dharma and Religion
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit I: Dharma in Traditional Indian context:

Etymological meaning of Dharma, Difference between Dharma and Religion in practice, Practice of Dharma and individual moral life, Aim of practising Dharma in human life, Role of Dharma in attaining Moksha, Spiritual discipline and human progress.

Unit II: Dharma for Social Progress

Concept of Dharma and its relation to social responsibility, Dharma and Social Harmony, Dharma for growth of tolerance and creating co-existence, Dharma and Ecological balance, Dharma and Rituals, Impact of rituals on social order and natural resources.

Unit III: Basic concepts and theories of Religion

Definition and Nature of Religion, Theories of Origin of Religion: Anthropological (Animism, Totemism, Ghost Theory, Concept of Mana) and Psychological (Theory of Religious Instinct, Theory of Elemental Emotion - Fear)

Unit IV: Historical Development of Religion: Tribal Religion, National Religion, Universal Religion

Suggested Readings:

1. *Bharatiya Nitividya (in Bengali)* - Dipak Kumar Bagchi
2. *Sanmanik Nitividya O Dharma Darshan (in Bengali)* - Samarendra Bhattacharya
3. *Dharma Darshan (in Bengali)* - Sushil Kumar Chakraborty
4. *Dharma Darshan (in Bengali)* - Ramesh Chandra Munshi
5. *The Philosophy of Religion* - M. Edwards
6. *Philosophy of Religion* - John Hick

Semester – VIII

Subject: Philosophy

Paper – XXI (MAJOR)

Paper Code: PL – 801C

Contemporary Indian Philosophy

Full Marks: 100

Credits: 4

Unit - I: Rabindranath Tagore: *On Human Spirit: Man's Universe, The Surplus in Man, Man's Nature, The Four Stages of Life.*

Unit-II: M. K. Gandhi: On Human Dignity: *Sarvodaya, Satyagraha, Non-violence, Trusteeship, Caste system.*

Unit-III: Sri Aurobindo: On Human Unity: *The Group and the Individual, The Problem of Uniformity and Liberty, Nature's Law in our progress - Unity in Diversity, Law and Liberty, Internationalism and Human Unity.*

Unit-IV: Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: On Justice and Equality: *Untouchability, Annihilation of Caste, Social Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity.*

Suggested Readings:

1. *The Religion of Man* - Rabindranath Tagore
2. *Sadhana* - Rabindranath Tagore
3. *Personality* - Rabindranath Tagore
4. *The Philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore* - Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

5. *Biswa Hriday Parabare* (in Bengali) - Writings of Moritz Vintarnitz, translated by Debabrata Chakraborty
6. *Gandhi Manas*(in Bengali) - Ed. By R. K. Prabhu & U. R. Rao
7. *Bharatiya Rastra ChintarItihas*(in Bengali) Vol. I & II– Subhash Chandra Some
8. *Human Cycle* - Sri Aurobindo
9. *Sri Aurobinder Bangla Rachana* (in Bengali) - Ed. Sri Aurobindo Ashram Trust
10. *Sri Aurobindo Bhabna* (in Bengali) - Dr. Gita Ghosh
11. *Manob Yugochakra* (in Bengali) - A Translation of Human Cycle by Manoj Bhattacharjee
13. *Annihilation of Caste* (Article) - Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

Semester – VIII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XXII (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 802C
Contemporary Western Philosophy
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit – I: Fredrich Nietzsche: (Ideas of Metaphysical Concepts): Critique of Enlightenment Perspectivism, Concept of Superman, Concept of Morality, Nature of Truth, Death of God, Nihilism.

Unit – II: Edmund Husserl: (Some Concepts of Phenomenology): Phenomenology: A General Concept, Epoché, Intentionality and Consciousness, Noesis and Noema, Transcendental Ego, Life World.

Unit – III: Martin Heidegger: (Concept and Problem of Being): Preparatory analysis of Being, Dasein, The worldliness of the World, Authenticity, Problem of Being and Temporality, Existenz.

Unit – IV: Jean Paul Sartre: (Existentialism and Humanism): Existence Precedes Essence, Freedom and Choice for individual Consciousness, Views on Consciousness and Intentionality, Freedom and responsibility, , Views on Humanism.

Suggested Readings:

1. *Guidebook to Western Thought* – E. L. Allen
2. *Six Existentialist Thinkers* – H. J. Blackham
3. *Being and Time* – Heidegger (An annotated translation: Cyril Welch)
4. *What is Philosophy?* – M. Heidegger
5. *Existentialism and Humanism* – Jean Paul Sartre

6. *Realm and the Background of Phenomenology* – Ed. Roderick M. Chisholm
7. *Binsho Satabdir Pashcatya Darshan* (in Bengali) – Anil Kumar Bandopadhyaya
8. *Astibadi Darshan O Pratibhas Bijnan* (in Bengali) – Swapna Sarkar

Semester – VIII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XXIII (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 803C
Philosophy of Indigenous Studies
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit - I: Foundations of Tribal and Indigenous Studies

Meaning and Definition of Tribe, Concept of Indigenous Peoples, Indigeneity and Identity, Ethnicity and Ethnic Consciousness, Characteristics of Tribal Societies, Tribe, Caste, and Peasant Debate, Tribal Studies as an Academic Discipline

Unit -II: Tribal Society and Culture

Tribal Social Organization, Family and Kinship Systems, Clan and Totemic Organization, Marriage Systems among Tribes, Youth Dormitories and Community Institutions, Tribal Customs and Traditions, Oral Traditions and Folklore, Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Tribal Art, Music, Dance, and Festivals, Gender Relations in Tribal Society.

Unit - III: Tribal Religion, Philosophy and Worldview

Religion in Tribal Societies, Animism and Nature Worship, Ancestor Worship, Sacred Groves and Sacred Landscapes, Myths, Legends, and Oral Narratives, Rituals and Ceremonial Practices, Tribal Cosmology and Indigenous Worldview, Indigenous Philosophy and Ecological Ethics, Traditional Healing Practices, Tribal Concepts of Human–Nature Relationship.

Unit - IV: Tribal Rights, Constitutional Safeguards and Indigenous Ecology

Constitutional Safeguards for Scheduled Tribes, Fifth and Sixth Schedules of the Indian Constitution, Tribal Advisory Councils, Forest Rights Act (FRA), 2006, Land Alienation and Displacement, Tribal Movements and Resistance, Indigenous Ecological Knowledge, Sustainable Resource Management, Indigenous Environmental Ethics and Climate Change

Suggested Readings:

1. Bose, Nirmal Kumar. *Tribal Life in India*. New Delhi: National Book Trust, 1971.
2. Xaxa, Virginius. *State, Society, and Tribes: Issues in Post-Colonial India*. New Delhi: Pearson Education India, 2008.
3. Elwin, Verrier. *The Tribal World of Verrier Elwin: An Autobiography*. London: Oxford University Press, 1964.
4. Vidyarthi, L.P., and B.K. Rai. *The Tribal Culture of India*. New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company, 1976.
5. Haimendorf, Christoph von Fürer. *Tribes of India: The Struggle for Survival*. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1982.

6. Durkheim, Emile. *The Elementary Forms of Religious Life*. Translated by Karen E. Fields. New York: Free Press, 1995.
7. Tylor, Edward Burnett. *Primitive Culture: Researches into the Development of Mythology, Philosophy, Religion, Art, and Custom*. London: John Murray, 1871.
8. Gadgil, Madhav, and Ramachandra Guha. *This Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1992.
9. Sharma, B.D. *Tribal Affairs in India: The Crucial Transition*. New Delhi: Sahyog Pustak Kuteer, 1984.
10. Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India. *Report of the High Level Committee on Socio-Economic, Health and Educational Status of Tribal Communities of India (Xaxa Committee Report)*. New Delhi, 2014.

Semester – VIII
Subject: Philosophy
Paper – XXIV (MAJOR)
Paper Code: PL – 804C
Applied Ethics-II
Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit - I: Ethics of Life and Death

(i) Moral Perspectives on Euthanasia: Definitions: active vs. passive, voluntary vs. non-voluntary, Duty to die vs. sanctity of life.

(ii) Autonomy and the Ethics of Suicide: Suicide as a moral act: philosophical views, Autonomy, rationality, and mental health, State and societal roles in preventing suicide.

Unit - II: Reproductive and Bioethics

(i) Ethical Dimensions of Abortion and Reproductive Choice: Moral status of the fetus, Women's bodily autonomy vs. fetal rights, Reproductive rights and access.

(ii) Surrogacy and the Debate on Body Commodification: Commercial vs. altruistic surrogacy, Ethical implications for the surrogate mother, Parenthood and legitimacy.

Unit - III: Technology, Body, and Bioethics

(i) Organ Donation and the Ethics of Bodily Autonomy: Consent models: explicit vs. presumed, Donation after brain death, Commodification of body parts.

(ii) Privacy, Consent, and Surveillance in Bioethics: Ethical concerns in medical data collection, Genetic data and family privacy, Informed consent in digital health systems.

Unit - IV: Pluralism, Culture, and Moral Disagreement

(i) Bodily Integrity and Cultural Practices: Ethics of body modification (tattoos, piercings, etc.), Rituals involving the body (circumcision, scarification), Harm, autonomy, and cultural identity.

(ii) Justice, Power, and the Ethics of Marginalization: Structural injustice and moral responsibility, Ethical response to caste, class, and racial inequalities, Political ethics and policy-making.

Suggested Readings:

1. Peter Singer (Ed.) – *Applied Ethics* (Oxford University Press, 1986)
2. Tom L. Beauchamp & James F. Childress – *Principles of Biomedical Ethics*, 8th ed. (Oxford University Press, 2019)
3. Barbara MacKinnon & Andrew Fiala – *Ethics: Theory and Contemporary Issues*, 9th ed. (Cengage Learning, 2017)
4. Bonnie Steinbock (Ed.) – *Introduction to Ethical Theory and Bioethics* (McGraw-Hill, 2003)
5. James Rachels & Stuart Rachels – *The Right Thing to Do: Basic Readings in Moral Philosophy*, 8th ed. (McGraw-Hill, 2018)
6. Michael Cholbi – *Suicide: The Philosophical Dimensions* (Broadview Press, 2011)
7. Jeffrey Reiman – *The Death Penalty: For and Against* (Rowman & Littlefield, 1997)
8. Christine Overall – *Why Have Children? The Ethical Debate* (MIT Press, 2012)
9. Amrita Pande – *Wombs in Labor: Transnational Commercial Surrogacy in India* (Columbia University Press, 2014)
10. Julian Savulescu & Nick Bostrom (Eds.) – *Human Enhancement* (Oxford University Press, 2009)
11. Donna Dickenson – *Body Shopping: Converting Body Parts to Profit* (Oneworld, 2009)

Semester – VIII

Subject: Philosophy

Paper – VIII (MINOR)

Paper Code: PL – 801M

Applied Ethics

Full Marks: 100 Credits: 4

Unit-I: Introduction to Applied Ethics

- (i) Meaning, Nature and Scope of Applied Ethics.
- (ii) Purpose and Importance of Applied Ethics.
- (iii) Relation of Applied Ethics with Normative Ethics and Meta-Ethics.
- (iv) Major Approaches in Applied Ethics: *Utilitarianism, Deontology, Virtue Ethics, Rights-Based Ethics.*

Unit-II: Environmental Ethics

- (i) Meaning, Nature and Development of Environmental Ethics.

- (ii) Ecocentrism and Deep Ecology.
- (iii) Environmental Problems: *Pollution, Deforestation, Sustainable Development*.
- (iv) Buddhist Environmental Ethics.

Unit–III: Bioethics: Euthanasia and Suicide

- (i) Meaning and Nature of Bioethics.
- (ii) Euthanasia: *Meaning and Types, Arguments for and against Euthanasia, Right to Die Debate, Legal Position in India*.
- (iii) Suicide: *Philosophical Perspectives, Ethical Issues relating to Suicide, Suicide and Moral Responsibility*.

Unit–IV: Racism, Casteism and Feminism

- (i) Racism: *Meaning and Nature, Ethical Critique of Racial Discrimination, Human Rights and Equality*.
- (ii) Casteism: *Nature of Caste Discrimination, Ambedkar's Critique of Caste, Equality and Social Justice*.
- (iii) Feminism: *Liberal Feminism, Radical Feminism, Gender Equality and Women's Rights*.

Suggested Readings:

1. Singer, Peter, ed. *Applied Ethics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1986.
2. Singer, Peter. *Practical Ethics*. 3rd ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011.
3. Frey, R. G., and Christopher Heath Wellman, eds. *A Companion to Applied Ethics*. 2nd ed. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2005.
4. Piet, John H., and Ayodhya Prasad. *An Introduction to Applied Ethics*. New Delhi: Cosmo Publications, 1984.
5. DesJardins, Joseph R. *Environmental Ethics*. 5th ed. Boston: Cengage Learning, 2012.
6. Pojman, Louis P., and Paul Pojman, eds. *Environmental Ethics: Readings in Theory and Application*. 6th ed. Boston: Cengage Learning, 2011.
7. Naess, Arne. *Deep Ecology*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1989.
8. Sharma, Ram Nath. *Environmental Philosophy*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers & Distributors, 2011.
9. Vaughn, Lewis. *Bioethics: Principles, Issues and Cases*. 3rd ed. New York: Oxford University Press, 2016.
10. Mappes, Thomas A., and David DeGrazia, eds. *Biomedical Ethics*. 7th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill Education, 2011.
11. Battin, Margaret Pabst. *The Ethics of Suicide*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2015.
12. Ambedkar, B. R. *Annihilation of Caste*. New Delhi: Navayana Publishing, 2014.
13. West, Cornel. *Race Matters*. Boston: Beacon Press, 2001.
14. Beauvoir, Simone de. *The Second Sex*. New York: Vintage Books, 2011.
15. Tong, Rosemarie. *Feminist Thought*. 4th ed. Colorado: Westview Press, 2018.
16. Millett, Kate. *Sexual Politics*. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 2000.



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SEMESTERS: I - VIII

COURSES: MAJOR (CORE), MINOR (ELECTIVE) & INTER-DISCIPLINARY (ID)

Sl. No.	Semester	Course Name	Paper No.	Paper Code	Credits	Major/Minor/ID
1	I	Indian Philosophy-I	I	PL-101C	4	Major
2	I	Western Philosophy-I	II	PL-102C	4	Major
3	I	Ethics and Environment	I	PL-101M	4	Minor
4	I	Introduction to Philosophy (Indian and Western)	I	PL-101ID	3	ID
5	II	Indian Philosophy-II	III	PL-201C	4	Major
6	II	Western Philosophy-II	IV	PL-202C	4	Major
7	II	Introduction to Western Philosophy	II	PL-201M	4	Minor
8	III	Indian Ethics	V	PL-301C	4	Major
9	III	Western Ethics	VI	PL-302C	4	Major
10	III	General Concepts of Indian Ethics	III	PL-301M	4	Minor
11	III	Ethics (Indian and Western)	II	PL-301ID	3	ID
12	IV	Social & Political Philosophy (Indian)	VII	PL-401C	4	Major
13	IV	Social & Political Philosophy (Western)	VIII	PL-402C	4	Major
14	IV	Western Ethics	IV	PL-401M	4	Minor
15	IV	Religion & Social Philosophy	III	PL-401ID	3	ID
16	V	Indian Logic-I: Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipikā : Annambhatta	IX	PL-501C	4	Major
17	V	Western Logic-I: Introduction to Logic : I.M. Copi	X	PL-502C	4	Major
18	V	Philosophy of Religion	XI	PL-503C	4	Major
19	V	Introduction to Analytical	XII	PL-504C	4	Major

		Philosophy				
20	V	Western Logic: Introduction to Logic: I.M. Copi	V	PL-501M	4	Minor
21	VI	Indian Logic-II: Tarkasaṃgraha with Dipikā : Annarāmbhatta	XIII	PL-601C	4	Major
22	VI	Western Logic-II : Introduction to Logic - I.M. Copi	XIV	PL-602C	4	Major
23	VI	Special Texts (Indian)	XV	PL-603C	4	Major
24	VI	Special Texts (Western)	XVI	PL-604C	4	Major
25	VI	Social and Political Philosophy (Indian and Western)	VI	PL-601M	4	Minor
26	VII	Applied Ethics-I	XVII	PL-701C	4	Major
27	VII	Philosophy of Mind	XVIII	PL-702C	4	Major
28	VII	Philosophy of Language	XIX	PL-703C	4	Major
29	VII	World Religions	XX	PL-704C	4	Major
30	VII	Philosophy of Dharma and Religion	VII	PL-701M	4	Minor
32	VIII	Contemporary Indian Philosophy	XXI	PL-801C	4	Major
31	VIII	Contemporary Western Philosophy	XXII	PL-802C	4	Major
33	VIII	Philosophy of Indigenous Studies	XXIII	PL-803C	4	Major
34	VIII	Applied Ethics-II	XXIV	PL-804C	4	Major
35	VIII	Applied Ethics	VIII	PL-801M	4	Minor

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