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B.A. (HONOURS) PHILOSOPHY

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SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

FIRST YEAR

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| Paper I | Logic | 3 hrs: 100 Marks |
| Paper II | Elements of Indian Philosophy | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |

SECOND YEAR

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| Paper III | History of Western Philosophy (Descartes to Kant): | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |
| Paper IV | Social & Political Philosophy/Greek Philosophy: | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |

THIRD YEAR

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| Paper V | Ethics | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |
| Paper VI | Indian Philosophy (Text): | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |
| Paper VII | Contemporary Philosophy/Aesthetics/Later Greek Philosophy | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |
| Paper VIII | Philosophy of Religion/ Philosophy of Logic/ Philosophy of Science/ Philosophy of Language | 3 hrs. 100 Marks |

B.A. HONOURS (PHILOSOPHY)
SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

FIRST YEAR

Paper I - Logic

100 Marks

(A) Traditional Logic

20 Marks

- 1 Distinction between connotation and denotation of terms. Distribution of terms.

Distinction between sentence and proposition. Types of Aristotelian categorical propositions.

Logical form; Truth and Validity.

Laws of Thought.

Theory of the Square of Opposition of categorical propositions. The problem of existential import.

Laws of Conversion, Obversion, and Contraposition of categorical propositions.

Syllogism: Figures and Moods of valid syllogistic arguments. Rules governing different Figures. Fallacies of syllogistic arguments.

(B) Truth-functional logic

30 marks

Truth-functions: Negation, Conjunction, Alternation (or Disjunction), Conditional (or Material Implication), Biconditional (or Material Equivalence), Sheffer's Stroke function. Interdefinability of different truth-functions.

Truth-tables as a decision procedure. *Reductio ad absurdum* method. Truth trees method. Alternational (or Disjunctive) and Conjunctive Normal Forms as decision procedures. Use of these methods for (a) deciding consistency (contingency), inconsistency (contradiction), and validity (tautology) of propositions, (b) showing implication and equivalence between propositions, and (c) showing validity/invalidity of truth-functional arguments.

Duality and its laws.

Proof procedure for tautologies and valid truth-functional arguments.

(C) Quantification theory:

30 marks

Syllogistics and the method of antilogism.

Translating Ordinary language into the language of quantification.

Proof Procedure. (Scope of this is restricted to the discussion in Irving Copi's **INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC** (5th Edition)).

(D) Informal Fallacies:

20 Marks

(As discussed in Irving Copi's **INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC** (5th edition)).

Recommended Reading:

Irving Copi: INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC. Macmillan, New York, 1961 (5th edition) 1982. Hindi translation of this book by Professor Sangam Lal Pandey is available.

Basson & O' Connor: **An Introduction to Symbolic Logic**. University Tutorial Press, Oxford, 1962. (For the method of antilogism).

WV Quine: Methods of Logic. 4th edition. Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass., 1982 (For duality and its laws).

Richard Jeffrey: Formal Logic: Its scope and limits. McGraw Hill Book Company, New York. (For truth trees method for "not", "and" and "or" are in the first two sections of Chapter 2, with exercises in the third section of the same Chapter. pp. 18-27).

PAPER II - ELEMENTS OF INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

100 Marks

1. Plurality of Indian philosophies despite common concerns.
2. Philosophy of the Upanisads. (Text: *Kenopanishad*).
3. *Gārvāka School*: Its epistemology, metaphysics, and ethics.
4. *Early Buddhism*: The Middle way; Four Noble Truths and Eight-fold Path; Doctrine of Momentariness; Theory of Dependent Origination; No-Soul theory; and Nirvāna.

5. *Jainism*: Anekāntavāda; saptaḥaṅgi syādvāda; concept of substance; and nature of liberation.
6. *Māyā-Vaiśeṣika*: Padārthas; pramāṇas with focus on anumāna and fallacies; prāmānyavāda; khyātivāda; theory of causation; nature of liberation.
7. *Sāṃkhya-Yoga*: prakṛti and puruṣa; evolution of prakṛti; prāmānyavāda; khyātivāda; theory of causation; nature and plurality of puruṣas; nature of liberation.
8. *Pūrva-Mīmāṃsā*: pramāṇas; prāmānyavāda; khyātivāda; dharma, vidhi, niśedha, and arthavāda; śābdabodha; understanding the meaning of words; understanding the meaning of sentences: ākāṅkṣā, yogyatā, sannidhi, and tātparyā, doctrine of karma and apūrva; nature of svarga; criticism of mokṣa as a purśārtha.
9. *Śāṅkara Advaita Vedānta*: Nature of Brahman; māyā, jīva and jagat; prāmānyavāda; khyātivāda; theory of causation; nature of mokṣa; Śāṅkara's arguments against karma as a means to mokṣa. Moral theory.
10. *Rāmānuja's Viśiṣṭādvaitavāda*: Distinction between advaita and viśiṣṭādvaita. nature of Iśvara, māyā, jīva, and jagat. Rāmānuja's criticism of Śāṅkara's theory of māyā. Nature of liberation, and the means to attaining it.

Recommended Reading:

(A) Books:

1. *M Hiriyanna: Outlines of Indian Philosophy*. Allen & Unwin, London, 1951.
2. *Dasgupta S.N.: "An Historical Introduction to Indian Philosophy"* Volume 1.
- (B) Articles :
3. D.R. Shastri, "A short history of Indian materialism" in, **CARVAKA LOKAYATA**. Ed Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya. Indian Council for Philosophical Research, New Delhi 1990.
5. *B.K. Matilal: The Central Philosophy of Jainism*. I. D Institute of

6. P.C. Mahalanobis, "The foundation of statistics: A study of Jaina Logic" in *History of Science and Technology in Ancient India*. Volume II. Ed Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya.
7. J.B.S. Haldane, "The syadvada system of predication". *History of Science and Technology in N Ancient India*. Vol II Ed. Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya.
8. T.R.V. Murti, "The silence of the Buddha and the beginning of the dialectic" in his *The Central Philosophy of Buddhism*. George Allen & Unwin, London.
9. Nathumal Tatia, "Paticcasamuppada". *The Nava Nalanda Mahavihara Research -Publication* Vol. 1 Ed. Satkari Mookerjee.
10. Krishna Chandra Bhattacharya, "Sāṅkhya and Yoga" in his **STUDIES IN PHILOSOPHY** Vol 1: 215-250. Progressive Publishers, Calcutta 1956.
11. B.K. Matilal "Logic in ancient and medieval India" in his **LOGIC, LANGUAGE AND REALITY**. Motilal Banarsidass, 1985.
12. P.V. Kane "Some Fundamental doctrines of Pūrva-Mīmāṃsā" in his **A HISTORY OF DHARMAŚASTRA** Vol V Pt. II. Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute Poona.
13. Krishna Chandra Bhattacharya "Sāṅkara's doctrine of māyā" in his **STUDIES IN PHILOSOPHY**. Vol. I Progressive Publishers, Calcutta 1956.

Reference Books:

- Nilima Chakrabarty: INDIAN PHILOSOPHY: THE PATH-FINDERS AND SYSTEM-BUILDERS*. Allied Publishers, New Delhi, 1992.
- Baldev Upadhyaya: BHARTIYA-DARSANA*. (In Hindi).
- Haridatta Shastri: BHARTIYA DARSANA KA TITHASA*. (In Hindi).

SECOND YEAR

Paper III HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY 100 Marks

(Descartes to Kant)

Descartes: DISCOURSE ON THE METHOD.

Spinoza: 'Cartesian thoughts in Metaphysics' in Baruch Spinoza's Principles of Cartesian Philosophy. Translated by Harvey E. Wedeck, Philosophical Library, New York, 1961.

Leibnitz: CRITICAL REMARKS CONCERNING THE GENERAL PART OF DESCARTES PRINCIPLES. (Articles 1-36 only.)

Locke: AN ESSAY CONCERNING HUMAN UNDERSTANDING. Ed. A.D. Woolzey. Fontane Books, 1968. Book I; Book II (Chapters I-VIII & XXIII-XXXIII).

Berkeley: THREE DIALOGUES BETWEEN HYLAS AND PHILONOUS. First Dialogue only.

Hume: A TREATISE ON HUMAN NATURE. Book I Part I (complete); and Part III Sections I-XVII.

Kant: PROLEGOMENA TO ANY FUTURE METAPHYSICS.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

Copleston: A HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY. Relevant Chapters.

O'Connor: Ed. A CRITICAL HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY.

Wolfgang Stegmüller: MAIN CURRENTS IN CONTEMPORARY GERMAN, BRITISH, AND AMERICAN PHILOSOPHY. D.Reidel Publishing Company, Dordrecht-Holland

Paper IV SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY/GREEK PHILOSOPHY

PAPER IV OPTON (a) SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

100 Marks

SECTION A

John Rawls: A THEORY OF JUSTICE Part I only. 40 Marks

Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1971.

SECTION B

60 Marks

1 Society:

Dayakrishna: SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY : PAST AND PRESENT. Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, 1969.

2 Politics:

J. Habermas "The classical doctrine of politics" in his THEORY - PRACTICE. Heinemann Educational Books, London, 1974. Also in P.H. Patridge, Politics, Philosophy, Ideology.

3 Democracy

Joseph Schumpeter, "Two concepts of democracy"

4 Equality

Bernard Williams, "The idea of equality" in Hampshire and Kolakowski, eds, THE SOCIALIST IDEAS, OUP.

Andre Beteljee, "Individualism and equality" in his SOCIETY AND POLITICS IN INDIA. The Athlone Press, London, 1991.

5 Rights

H.L.A. Hart, "Are there natural rights?"

R. Dworkin, "Taking rights seriously"

6 Power

Steven Lukes, "Power: A radical view"

M.K. Gandhi, **HIND SWARAJ**.

7 *Liberty*:

Isiah Berlin, "Two concepts of liberty"

RECOMMENDED READING

PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND SOCIETY,

Eds. Laslett and Runciman. Blackwell, Oxford, 1962.

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY.

Ed. Anthony Quinton.

Oxford: **OUP** (Paperback), 1967.

Articles by Schumpeter, Hart, and Berlin are available in Quinton's **POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY**; and those by Partridge, Dworkin, and Lukes are found in Laslett and Runciman's **Philosophy, Politics and Society**.

D.D. Raphael: **PROBLEMS OF POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY** New York, 1976

I Benn & R.S. Peters:

Social Principles and the Democratic State

Allen and Unwin, London, 1959.

PAPER IV OPTICN (b) GREEK PHILOSOPHY

SECTION A

(Pre-Socratic and Socrates)

Milesians : Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes

Pythagoras and 4th Century Pythagoreans (e.g. Philolaus)

Heraclitus

Electricis: Melissus, Parmenides and Zeno

Empedocles

Anaxagoras

The Atomists: Leucippus and Democritus

Sophists: Protagoras and Gorgias

Socrates

SECTION B

Plato's **THE REPUBLIC** (Bks. II to VII)

40 Marks

Aristotle's **PHYSICS** (Bks. I & II)

20 Marks

REFERENCE BOOKS

Pre-Socratics

J. Barnes: **Early Greek Philosophy**. London: Penguin Books.

Kirk Raven and Schofield: **THE PRESOCRATIC PHILOSOPHERS**.

J. Burnet: **GREEK PHILOSOPHY: THALES TO PLATO**.

W.C.K. Guthrie: **HISTORY OF GREEK PHILOSOPHY** Vols. 1 & 2.

Karl Popper : "Back to the Pre-Socratics" in his **CONJECTURES AND REFUTATIONS**. Routledge & Kegan Paul, London, 1972.

G. Vlastos: "Theology and Philosophy in Early Greek Thought", in **STUDIES IN PRE-SOCRATIC PHILOSOPHY** Vol. I (Eds. David Furley and R.E. Allen, London, 1970).

Sophists

Plato's **PROTAGORAS AND GORGIAS** (Selections)

G.B. Kerferd: **THE SOPHISTS**. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Socrates

Master: **SOCRATES: A COLLECTION OF CRITICAL ESSAYS**.

Plato

Cross and Woolzey: **PLATO'S REPUBLIC: A PHILOSOPHICAL COMMENTARY**. Macmillan, 1966.

CD Creeve: **PHILOSOPHER KINGS**. Princeton, 1988.

Aristotle

Aristotle's **PHYSICS** Bks I & II. Translated with Introduction and Notes by W. Charlton (Oxford, 1970).

THIRD YEAR

PAPER V

ETHICS

100 Marks

SECTION A

- 1 Conventional and reflective morality
- 2 Aristotle's conception of virtue and well-being
- 3 Kant's conception of Good Will, duty and Categorical Imperative
- 4 Joseph Butler's theory of Conscience and self-love
- 5 J.S. Mill's Utilitarianism
- 6 Freedom and Responsibility

SECTION B

- 1 Value of life: Suicide and Euthanasia
- 2 Capital punishment: Theories of punishment
- 3 Expression of dissent: Terrorism
- 4 Moral attitude to the environment and animals
- 5 Equality, discrimination and preferential treatment

SECTION C

- 1 *Bhagvad Gita*: Niskamakarma (disinterested action)
- 2 *Purnsarthas*: Dharma, Artha, Kama, and Moksa
- 3 Yamas (Five Principles of Morality)
- 4 Mahatma Gandhi's conception of Ahimsa (non-violence), Satyagraha (zeal for truth), and means-ends relationship.
- 5 Confucius's conception of the Doctrine of the Mean
- 6 Al Ghazali's theory of virtue

RECOMMENDED READING:

William Frankena: *Ethics*. 2nd edition

J.L. Mackie: ETHICS: INVENTING RIGHT AND WRONG.

New York: Penguin, 1977. (Introductory Reading).

Aristotle: NICOMACHEAN ETHICS. (For Aristotle's Theory of Virtue and Well-being).

Kant: GROUNDWORK OF THE METAPHYSIC OF MORALS. Trans. H J Paton, as *THE MORAL LAW.* London: Hutchinson, 1953. (For Kant's Ethical Theory.)

J S Mill: UTILITARIANISM. London, 1863. in Mary Warnock, ed. *MILL: UTILITARIANISM AND OTHER WRITINGS.* Glasgow: Collins, 1962 (For Mill's theory of utilitarian ethics.)

Peter Singer: PRACTICAL ETHICS. Second edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1993.

Peter Singer (ed): A COMPANION TO ETHICS. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1993.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

Bernard Williams: MORALITY: AN INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1993.

P Taylor: RESPECT FOR NATURE. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1986.

Kant: "Duties towards the body in regard to life", in his LECTURES ON ETHICS, trans, Louis Infield. New York: Harper & Row, 1986.

J Rachels: THE END OF LIFE: EUTHANASIA AND MORALITY. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1987.

P Jaini: THE JAINA PATH OF PURIFICATION. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1979.

T Nagel: MORTAL QUESTIONS. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1979

Bernard Williams: MORAL LUCK. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1981.

J S Fishin: JUSTICE, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, AND THE FAMILY. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1983.

R A Duff: TRIALS AND PUNISHMENTS. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1986.

J J C Smart and Bernard Williams: UTILITARIANISM: FOR AND AGAINST. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1973.

BHAGAVADGITA. (For Niskamakarma).

Raghvan Aiyer: MORAL AND POLITICAL THOUGHT OF MAHATMA GANDHI. (For Gandhi's Conception of Ahimsa, satyagraha, and Means-ends Relationship).

Patanjali's YOGASUTRA. (For Five Yamas.)

Mahendra Kumar: "Towards a Reconstruction of the Concept of Non-violence" in his VIOLENCE AND NON-VIOLENCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. Thomson Press, New Delhi, 1975.

V P Varma: NITI SASTRA KE MOOL SIDDHANTA
Allied Publishers, New Delhi.

PAPER VI INDIAN PHILOSOPHY (TEXT) 400 Marks

SECTION A

MADHYAMAKA-KARIKA.

Translated by Th. Stcherbatsky as in Stcherbatsky's **THE CONCEPTION OF BUDDHIST NIRVANA.** (Motilal Banarasi Dass Delhi, 1968). 50 Marks

SECTION B

Dharmaraja Adhvarin: VEDANTAPARIBHASA.

(Translated into English by S S Surya Narayana Sastri. Adyar Library Publication Madras.) 50 Marks

REFERENCE BOOKS AND ARTICLES:

T M P Mahadevan: THE PHILOSOPHY OF ADVAITA VEDANTA. University of Madras, Madras.

T R V Murti: THE CENTRAL PHILOSOPHY OF BUDDHISM. Allen & Unwin, London, 1955.

PAPER VII CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY/

AESTHETICS/LATER GREEK PHILOSOPHY 100 Marks

PAPER VIII OPTON (a) CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY

SECTION A

Jonathan Dancy **INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY EPISTEMOLOGY** Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass, 1985 (Parts I & II). 60 Marks

SECTION B

Any three of the following:

(a) *Heidegger*: "Origin of a Work of Art"

(b) *Rudolf Carnap*: "Elimination of Metaphysics through a Logical Analysis

of Language". (This essay is available in A J Ayer's **LOGICAL POSITIVISM**).

(C) *Richard Rorty*: "Philosophy without Mirrors" in his **PHILOSOPHY AND THE MIRROR ON NATURE**. Basil Blackwell, Oxford, 1980 (Reprinted 1990). Chapter VIII; pp 357-394.

(d) *Ramchandra Gandhi*: **AVAILABILITY OF RELIGIOUS IDEAS**. 40 Marks

REFERENCE BOOKS AND ARTICLES:

Richard Bernstein, "Philosophy in the conversation of mankind". This is a critical study of Richard Rorty, **PHILOSOPHY AND THE MIRROR OF NATURE** which appeared in **REVIEW OF METAPHYSICS** 33 (June 1980). Reprinted in Bernstein's **PHILOSOPHICAL PROFILES**, Polity Press, Cambridge, 1986, pp 21-57.

Roderick M Chisholm: **THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE**. Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.

David Hamlyn: **THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE**.

H.J. Blackham: **SIX EXISTENTIALIST THINKERS**. Routledge & Kegan Paul, London, 1951.

Barrett: **THE IRRATIONAL MAN**, NEW YORK, 1958.

John Hospers: **AN INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHICAL ANALYSIS**. Hindi Translation of this Book is available.

PAPER VIII OPTON (b) AESTHETICS 100 Marks

SECTION A

Harold Osborne (Editor), **AESTHETICS**. OUP Paperbacks, Oxford, 1972.

SECTION B

40 Marks

Ananda K Swamy: **TRANSFORMATION OF NATURE IN THE ART**. Chapter I (Selected portions from 'The Theory of Art in Asia') pp 1-57. Munshiram Manoharlal, New Delhi. Reprinted 1974.

Kapila Vatsyayana: THE SQUARE AND THE CIRCLE

Rekha Jhaaji: THE SENSUOUS IN INDIAN ART. 1st and 5th Chapters, Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi.

Nihar Ranjan Ray: "The Nature and Essence of Art" in his. AN APPROACH TO INDIAN ART. Chapter 4; 111-142. Publication Bureau, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

M Hiriyanna: ART EXPERIENCE. London, 1951.

REFERENCE BOOKS AND ARTICLES:

Virgil Aldrich: PHILOSOPHY OF ART.

Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.

Shyamala Gupta: Saundarya Tatva Minnansa

Seema Sahitya Bhavan, New Delhi, 1993.

PAPER VII OPTION (c) LATER GREEK PHILOSOPHY 100 Marks

SECTION A 60 Marks

EPICUREANISM (Epicurus and Lucretius):

Ethics: Hedonism, Freewill, Nature of Man and Nature of Happiness.

Atomism: Development of Early Greek Atomistic Theory;

Epistemology: Nature of Perception, Explanation of Illusions etc.

EARLY STOICISM (Zeno, Cleanthes and Chrysippus):

Logic and Philosophy of Language;

Ontology:

Physics: Arguments Against Atomism; Continuum Theory;

Ethics: Nature of Man and Nature of Human Happiness; Free-will and

Determinism; Virtue and Vice; Moral Responsibility.

ACADEMIC PHILOSOPHY (Arcesilaus and Carneades):

Academic Sceptical Philosophy as a Development of Platonism;

Epoche Eulogon and Ataraxia: the aim of Philosophy

SCEPTICISM (Aenesidemus and Sextus Empiricus):

The Ten Tropes; Clear and Distinct Impressions;

Arguments against the Stoics and Epicureans.

SECTION B 40 Marks

Aristotle: METAPHYSICS (Books Gamma and Zeta)

Reference Books and Articles:

Aristotle:

ARISTOTLE'S METAPHYSICS (Books GAMMA, DELTA, ETA.)

Translated with Notes by Christopher Kirwin, Oxford, 1984.

Commentary on Zeta in Ross: **ARISTOTLE'S METAPHYSICS** (2 Vols) Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1953.

Epicurus:

Three Letters; Principle Doctrines in Oates: **STOICS AND EPICUREANS.** Modern Library, New York.

D. Furley: TWO STUDIES IN THE GREEK ATOMISTS (Princeton, 1967).

Stoics:

J M Rist: STOIC PHILOSOPHY. Cambridge, 1977.

S Sambursky: PHYSICS OF THE STOICS. London, 1959.

J M Rist (ed): THE STOICS. University of California Press, 1978.

Academics:

Cicero: ACADEMICA. Loeb Classical Series Vol. XIX. Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass.

Scepticism:

Outlines of Pyrrhoism (Part I of **SEXTUS EMPIRICUS: SELECTIONS FROM THE MAJOR WRITINGS.** Ed. M. Burnyeat. Berkeley and Los Angeles, 1983.

THE HELLENISTIC PHILOSOPHERS Vol I by A.A. Long & D.N. Sedley. Cambridge, 1988.

A A Long: **HELLENISTIC PHILOSOPHY**. Second Edition. University of California Press, 1986.

J Barnes, M Burnyeat, M Schfield, (eds): **DOUBT AND DOGMATISM**. Oxford, 1980.

Paper VIII **PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION/PHILOSOPHICAL LOGIC/PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE/PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE** 100 Marks

- (a) **PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**
- (b) **PHILOSOPHICAL LOGIC**
- (c) **PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE**
- (d) **PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE**

Paper VIII Option (a) Philosophy of Religion 100 Marks

SECTION A 60 Marks

- 1 Nature of the Philosophy of Religion: Its Distinction from Theology
- 2 Nature of Religion and the Concept of Dharma
- 3 Attributes of God - Omniscience, Omnipotence, Omnipresence, Eternity, and Goodness. God and the World. Atheism. Theism, Deism, and Pantheism.
- 4 Prayer and Bhakti
- 5 Proofs for the Existence of God - the Ontological, Cosmological, Teleological, and Moral arguments (with reference to the discussion in Udayana's **NYAYAKUSUMANJALI** and Western Philosophy).
- 6 Reason, Faith, and Revelation
- 7 Immortality of the Soul, and the Doctrine of Karma

- 8 Religious Experience and Knowledge
- 9 Religious Language and Communication. Cognitivist and Non-cognitivist Debate.
- 10 Plurality of Religions and Religious Tolerance.

SECTION B

- 1 MacCloskey, H.J., 'God and Evil'
- 2 Pascal, G. 'The Wager'
- 3 Clifford, W.K., 'The Ethics of Belief'
- 4 Wittgenstein on Religious Belief as in his **LECTURES AND CONVERSATIONS ON AESTHETICS, PSYCHOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS BELIEF**. Ed. Cyril Barrett, Basil Blackwell, Oxford, 1970.

Note: Texts (1) to (3) are available in B A Bordy's **READINGS IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION - AN ANALYTIC APPROACH**. Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. 1974.

Reference Books and Articles:

Barrett, Cyril: **WITTGENSTEIN ON ETHICS AND RELIGIOUS BELIEF**.

Hick, John, **PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**. Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi, 1992. Hindi translation of John Hick's book by Rajesh Kumar Singh is brought out by the same Publishers in 1994.

Trueblood, David Alton, **PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**.

Chemparthy: **INDIAN RATIONAL THEOLOGY**. (This book contains English translation of Udayana's **NYAYAKUSUMANJALI**).

McPherson: **THE PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION**. Princeton N.J., Van Nostrand Company, 1965.

John Dewey: **A COMMON FAITH**. New Haven, Conn. Yale University Press, 1934.

V P Varma: **SAMKAALEEN VISLESANATMAKA DHARMA - DARSHAN** Delhi University Hindi Directorate. Delhi.

Texts:

P F Strawson's **INTRODUCTION TO LOGICAL THEORY**. London, 1952**REFERENCE BOOKS AND ARTICLES:**David Mitchell: **INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC**Copi & Gould, (eds): **CONTEMPORARY READINGS IN LOGICAL THEORY**. Macmillan, New York.W V Quine: **PHILOSOPHY OF LOGIC** Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.**PAPER VIII OPTION (c) Philosophy of Science**

100 Marks

- 1 Origins of Scientific Thought
- 2 Probability and Induction. Problem of Induction
- 3 Mill's Method of Experimental Inquiry; Nature of Causality
- 4 Measurement.
- 5 Observation, experiment, explanation, and prediction
- 6 Nature and types of scientific theories:
(a) Realism, (b) Anti-Realism, and (c) Quasi-Realism
- 7 Scientific progress and change: Falsificationism (Popper), Scientific paradigms (Kuhn), Research programmes (Lakatos), Anarchistic theory of knowledge (Feyerabend), and Methodologies of scientific appraisal (G L Pandit)
- 8 Rationality and the Politics of Knowledge
- 9 Moral Limits of Scientific Research

READING MATERIAL:

Frances A Yates: "The Hermeneutic Tradition in Renaissance Science"
in **IDEAS AND IDEALS**

A F Chalmers: **WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED SCIENCE**.
New York, 1982.

N R Hanson: **OBSERVATION AND EXPLANATION**. Allen and
Unwin London, 1972.

N R Hanson: **PATTERNS OF DISCOVERY**. Cambridge, 1969.

Ian Hacking : Experimentation and Scientific Realism in **SCIENTIFIC REALISM**. Ed. Jarrett Lepin. University of California Press, Berkeley, 1984.

Karl Popper: **CONJECTURES AND REFUTATIONS**, London, 1963.

Thomas S Kuhn: **THE STRUCTURE OF SCIENTIFIC REVOLUTIONS**. The University of Chicago Press. Second Edition, 1975.

J Lakatos: Falsification and the Methodology of Research Programmes' in **CRITICISM AND THE GROWTH OF KNOWLEDGE**. Ed. Lakatos and Musgrave, Cambridge, 1970.

N Goodman: **WAYS OF WORLD MAKING**. Hackett, 1978.

H Hertz: **THE PRINCIPLES OF MECHANICS**. Dover, N.Y., 1956.

J Lepin (Ed): **SCIENTIFIC REALISM**, University of California Press, Berkeley, 1984.

Larry Laudan: **PROGRESS AND ITS PROBLEMS**. Routledge and Kegan Paul, London, 1977.

Paul Feyerabend: **AGAINST METHOD**.

Nicholas Rescher: **FORBIDDEN KNOWLEDGE**. Foundations and Philosophy of Science Unit, McGill University, Vol. 13 (1986).

Richard Rorty: "Is Natural Science a Natural Kind"? in **OBJECTIVITY, RELATIVISM AND TRUTH**. Cambridge, 1991.

Richard Jennings: "Scientific Quasi-Realism", **MIND** (April 1989).

Carl G Hempel : "Explanation in Science and in History in **FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY**. Ed Robert G Colodny. George Allen and Unwin, London, 1964.

John Passmore: **RECENT PHILOSOPHY**. Duckworth, 1985

G L Pandit: **STRUCTURE AND GROWTH OF SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE**. New York, 1983.

PAPER VIII OPTION (d) PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE 100 Marks

Text:

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