

Philosophy Papers Approved for B.A.(P)/ B.Com.(P) in Lieu of
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(SEM-I, II, III, & IV)

SEMESTER-I

PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC

UNIT – I : BASIC CONCEPTS

- 1.1 Arguments, Premises and Conclusions
- 1.2 Deduction and Induction
- 1.3 Validity, Truth and Soundness

UNIT – II: CATEGORICAL PROPOSITIONS

- 2.1 The components of Categorical Propositions
- 2.2 Quality, Quantity and Distribution
- 2.3 The Traditional Square of Opposition
- 2.4 Conversion, Obversion and Contraposition
- 2.5 Translating Ordinary Language Statements into Categorical Form

UNIT – III : CATEGORICAL SYLLOGISMS


- 3.1 Standard form, Mood and Figure
- 3.2 Rules and Fallacies

UNIT – IV: PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC

- 4.1 Symbols and Translation
- 4.2 Truth Functions (Logical Connectives)
- 4.3 Truth Tables for Statements & Statement-Forms
- 4.4 Truth Tables for Arguments & Argument-Forms
- 4.5 Indirect Truth Tables (*Reductio Ad Absurdum*)

Recommended Readings:

1. Hurley Patrick. J.(2007), *Introduction to Logic*, Wadsworth (India Edition).
2. Copi, I.M.(2014), *Introduction to Logic* (14th Ed), Pearson, India.


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3. Chakraborti, Chhanda (2009), Logic, Prentice-Hall, EE Edition. India

SEMESTER-II

PAPER : INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS

UNIT –I: BASIC ISSUES IN ETHICS

- 1.1 Conventional and Reflective Morality
- 1.2 Theoretical and Applied Ethics

UNIT – II : ETHICAL THEORIES

- 2.1 Consequentialism (J.S. Mill)
- 2.2 Deontological Ethics (Kant)
- 2.3 Virtue Ethics (Aristotle)

UNIT – III : INDIAN ETHICS


- 3.1 Nişkāma Karma
- 3.2 Puruṣārthas

UNIT – IV : APPLIED ETHICS

- 4.1 Euthanasia
- 4.2 Animal Rights

Recommended Readings:

- 1. Sinha, J.N. (2009), *A Manual Of Ethics*, Central Publications.
- 2. Rachels, J.(2011), *The Elements of Moral Philosophy*, Mcgraw Hill, USA.
- 3. Sharma, I.C.(1962), *Ethical Philosophies of India*, Johnson Publishing Company, New York , USA
- 4. Rachels, J.(1987), *The End of Life: Euthanasia and Morality*, Cambridge University Press.
- 5. Singer P. (1986), *Applied Ethics*, Oxford University Press, Oxford.


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SEMESTER-III

PAPER : INTRODUCTION TO INDIAN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT –I: Indian Philosophy: An Overview

1. General Characteristics of all systems of Indian Philosophy

UNIT – II : Theory of Knowledge (Nyāya-Vaiśeṣika): The Four Pramānas


1. Perception(Pratyakṣa)
2. Inference (Anumāna)
3. Testimony (Śabda)
4. Comparison (Upamāna)

UNIT- III Theories of Reality

1. Sāṃkhya- Purusa, Prakṛti, Evolution Theory
2. Advaita Vedānta: Śaṅkara : Brahman, Īśvara, Māyā

Recommended Readings:

1. Chatterjee S.C., Dutta D. M. (1984), *An Introduction to Indian Philosophy*, University of Calcutta.
2. Hiriyana, M. (1994), *Outlines of Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidas Publishers, Delhi.
3. Sharma, C.D. (2003), *A Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy*, Motilal Banarsidas Publishers, Delhi.


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SEMESTER-IV

PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO WESTERN PHILOSOPHY

UNIT-I: Rationalism and Empiricism: General Features

UNIT- II: Rationalist Thinkers


1. Descartes: Method of doubt, Cogito
2. Spinoza: Notion of Substance
3. Leibniz: Theory of Monads

UNIT- III: Empiricist Thinkers

1. Locke: Rejection of Innate Ideas
2. Berkeley : Immaterialism
3. Hume: Impression and ideas

Recommended Readings:

1. O' Connor, D.J. (1964), *A Critical History of Western Philosophy*, MacMillan.USA
2. Copleston, F.J. (1993), *History of Philosophy*, Image Books.USA
3. Falkenberg, R. (2015), *History of Modern Philosophy*, Jefferson Publication. USA


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