

M.A. PHILOSOPHY (MAPY)

Term-End Examination

December, 2017

MPYE-003 : EPISTEMOLOGY

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

- Note :** (i) *Answer all five questions.*
(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*
(iii) *Answers to question no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words each.*

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1. Define Epistemology. Examine its nature and scope. 20
- OR**
- Explain the concept of 'Anumana' in Indian thought. 20
2. Explain the meaning of hermeneutics. Highlight the contribution of Heidegger to hermeneutics. 20
- OR**
- What is perception? Attempt an overview of the different theories of perception. 20
3. Answer any two of the following in about 250 words each :
- (a) Examine the contribution of early Greek philosophers towards the development of epistemology. 10
- (b) What are the two versions of Rorty's claim about justification? 10

- (c) Distinguish between the correspondence and pragmatic theories of truth. 10
- (d) What is epistemic justification ? Why is it important in the language philosophy ? 10
4. Answer any four of the following in about 150 words each :
- (a) Describe the three components of hermeneutical enterprise. 5
- (b) Give a short account of the two schools of linguistic analysis. 5
- (c) Distinguish between Atmakhyati and Asatkhyati. 5
- (d) What are the limits of holism ? 5
- (e) Briefly explain the Hypothetico - Deductive method. 5
- (f) What is the notion of moral certitude ? 5
5. Write short notes on any five of the following in about 100 words each :
- (a) Anyatakyati 4
- (b) Upamana in Nyaya 4
- (c) Anupalabdhi or Non - apprehension 4
- (d) Externalism 4
- (e) Anvitabhidhana theory 4
- (f) Language games and meaning 4
- (g) Confirmation holism 4
- (h) Naturalised epistemology 4
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